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CONTAINING

INAUGURAL CEREMONIES,

ORDINANCES AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCILS,

WITH

REPORTS OF THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS,

FOR 1887.

KEENE:
SENTINEL PRINTING COMPANY, STEAM PRINTERS.
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ORGANIZATION OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT.

TUESDAY, January 4, 1887.

The members elect of the City Government for the municipal year of 1887, having met for organization, agreeably to the provisions of the City Charter, the oath of office by law prescribed was administered to the Mayor elect, Hon. ASA SMITH, by ex-Mayor Alfred T. Batchelder. After the roll call by the City Clerk, His Honor Mayor Smith administered the oath of office to the following members elect of the Boards of Aldermen and Council, to wit:

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Ward 1. EDWARD GUSTINE.
Ward 2. ROBERT B. MUNSELL.
Ward 3. CHARLES WRIGHT, 2D.
Ward 4. FRANCIS C. FAULKNER.
Ward 5. JOHN DRISCOLL.

BOARD OF COMMON COUNCIL.

Ward 1. EDWIN M. BULLARD.
DAUPHIN W. WILSON.
AZRO B. SKINNER.
Ward 2. EPHRAIM KENDALL.
FRANK O. WRIGHT.
NELSON R. TOWNE.
Ward 3. GEORGE E. WHITNEY.
ALBERT W. GREEN.
ADDIS E. BENNETT.

Ward 4.	Frederic A. Faulkner.
	Calvin W. Farwell.
	Jonas F. Whitcomb.
Ward 5.	Andrew J. Williams.
	Albert H. Hamblett.
	Garrett J. Landers.

Prayer was offered by Rev. G. W. Gallagher, after which the Mayor delivered his inaugural address.

After the prayer and inaugural address, Milton Blake was elected City Clerk, and Edwin O. Keith, City Messenger; after which the Common Council organized by the choice of Edwin M. Bullard as President and James E. Parmenter as Clerk.

MAYOR SMITH'S ADDRESS.

Gentlemen of the City Councils:—

In accordance with the established custom, it becomes my duty to make a few recommendations relative to the duties of the respective offices which we to-day assume. I shall not now attempt to make any extended suggestions but shall mention only those matters which I consider most important with the view of making further suggestions and recommendations when I shall have become better acquainted with my duties and the needs of the various departments of the City Government.

THE FINANCES

of the city, interests all alike. Our bonded debt on the first day of this month stood as follows:

Water bonds (old issue)	$108,500
Of which was paid that day	4,000
Leaving now outstanding	104,500
Gratuity and sewer bonds,	230,000
New water loan,	37,000
	$371,500
Deduct the value of income paying property aside from the water works,	37,500
Leaving as debt above income paying property aside from the water works,	334,000

The net income of the water works for last year was $11,453.-39, to which there will be in the future a steady annual increase. Upon the basis of the income of last year, $5,983.00 would be left after paying the interest on the old issue of water bonds and $4,-677.00 would be left after paying the interest on both the old and the new issue, which sum can be devoted to paying a portion of the interest on the other indebtedness. It is therefore evident that the water system, which also furnishes water free to the city for hydrant service and sewerage purposes, is no burden whatever to the tax-payer, whether living within the more thickly settled portion of the city or upon its border.

It appears from the report of the special committee on water works that something remains to be done at the new reservoir, but I understand that of the appropriations made for that purpose enough remains in the treasury unexpended to put the new water system into perfect and efficient operation, without any additional appropriation by us. I would recommend, however, a small appropriation to be expended in the Spring in grading and grassing the slope of the new reservoir. In view of the fact that $4,000 of the water bonds have been paid this year and $7,500 mature July 1st, 1887, which should be provided for by taxation, I recommend that we neither increase nor diminish the existing sinking fund which is now $34,913.91.

HIGHWAYS AND STREETS.

From the printed report now ready for distribution, it appears that considerable money has been expended in constructing new streets and roads, and as so much has so recently been done in that line, we may reasonably expect that our expenditures for that purpose will be light. But it will be our duty to see that our highways and streets are at all times in a good and safe condition and I recommend that careful attention be given to this most important department and a sufficient sum be appropriated and

expended upon our highways to improve their present fair condition, and if after the tests of the Winter's frosts and the Spring thaws the concrete sidewalks constructed last year prove to be as substantial and desirable as is now expected, I would recommend a continuance of the policy of extending them in other localities to a reasonable extent and the appropriation and expenditure of a seasonable sum for this purpose.

WATER WORKS.

It is a subject of congratulation that our city is now abundantly supplied with water of excellent quality for all uses by our citizens and as a protection against fire. Having such abundance it would seem wise to extend the mains on localities where the additional rentals will pay a good income upon the outlay. This department is of such great importance to the city that care should be taken that its present energetic and careful management should be continued.

STREET LIGHTING.

The establishment of the electric light in the city, and its obvious ability in lighting large areas, leads to the suggestion that the contract with the Gas Light Company could with advantage be changed and a number of arc lights be substituted for gas lamps in Central Square and the business portion of the city.

The other departments of the City Government to which I have not directly alluded are in a prosperous and efficient condition and their affairs during the past year have been satisfactorily and economically administered, I believe. At present I know of no important changes to be made in them and have no suggestions to offer.

CONCLUSION.

I have been called upon to assume the duties of this honorable office with comparative little knowledge and experience of their

requirements. I can only hope for an efficient, economical and satisfactory discharge of these duties through your cordial and intelligent assistance. This I feel sure you will give me and I shall at all times confidently rely upon it and cordially reciprocate. To succeed one so eminently qualified in every respect to administer the city government as his Honor, my predecessor, is a delicate position in which to be placed. Therefore I shall need an unusual amount of indulgence on your part.

KEENE CITY GOVERNMENT.

1887.

MAYOR.

ASA SMITH.

City Clerk, MILTON BLAKE.

ALDERMEN.

Ward 1. Edward Gustine.
Ward 2. Robert B. Munsell.
Ward 3. Charles Wright, 2d.
Ward 4. Francis C. Faulkner.
Ward 5. John Driscoll.

COMMON COUNCILMEN.

EDWIN M. BULLARD, President.

WARD 1. Edwin M. Bullard, Dauphin W. Wilson, Azro B. Skinner.

WARD 2. Ephraim Kendall, Frank O. Wright, Nelson R. Towne.

WARD 3. George E. Whitney, Albert W. Green, Addis E. Bennett.

WARD 4. Frederic A. Faulkner, Calvin W. Farwell, Jonas F. Whitcomb.

WARD 5. Andrew J. Williams, Albert H. Hamblett, Garrett J. Landers.

James E. Parmenter, Clerk.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

Finance.—The Mayor, Alderman Faulkner, Councilmen Whitney and Skinner.

Schools.—Alderman Wright, Councilmen Green and Farwell.

Lands and Buildings.—Alderman Munsell, Councilmen Wilson and Williams.

Bridges.—Alderman Driscoll, Councilmen Hamblett and Wright.

Streets and Drains.—Alderman Wright, Councilmen Faulkner and Whitcomb.

Burying Grounds.—Alderman Driscoll, Councilmen Wilson and Williams.

Fire Department.—Alderman Gustine, Councilmen Green and Landers.

Lamps and Lamp Posts.—Alderman Munsell, Councilmen Kendall and Whitcomb.

Water Works and Sewers.—Alderman Gustine, Councilmen Whitney and Faulkner.

Printing.—Alderman Munsell, Councilmen Skinner and Towne.

Engrossed Bills.—Alderman Driscoll, Councilmen Kendall and Bennett.

Claims and Accounts.—Alderman Faulkner, Councilmen Towne and Hamblett.

Public Library.—Alderman Wright, Councilmen Bennett and Wright.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Bills on their Second Reading.—Aldermen Munsell, Driscoll and Wright.

Licenses.—Aldermen Wright, Munsell and Driscoll.

Simmons and Ministerial Funds.—Aldermen Driscoll, Gustine and Wright.

Police.—Aldermen Munsell, Wright and Driscoll.

Claims.—Full Board.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Bills on their Second Reading.—Councilmen Wilson, Farwell and Landers.

Elections and Returns.—Councilmen Whitney, Hamblett and Farwell.

City Hall.—The Mayor, Councilman Whitcomb, City Messenger Keith.

CITY AUDITOR.

Charles H. Hersey.

CITY SOLICITOR.

John T. Abbott.

CITY TREASURER.

Henry S. Martin.

COLLECTOR.

Samuel O. Gates.

CITY MESSENGER.

Edwin O. Keith.

CITY MARSHAL.

Edwin R. Locke.

CONSTABLES.

E. O. Keith and E. R. Locke.

POLICE JUSTICE.

Edward Farrar.

CITY PHYSICIAN.

Jesse B. Hyland.

SEXTON.

N. G. Gurnsey.

OVERSEER OF POOR.

Philander Howland.

SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERIES.

N. G. Gurnsey.

SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS.

Elmer A. Nims.

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS AND SEWERS.

Daniel H. Sawyer.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

John Humphrey. N. G. Gurnsey.

E. S. Foster.

LIBRARIAN.

Mrs. Lizzie M. Converse.

ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN.

Miss Anna F. Downer.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

D. W. Gilbert. Mrs. E. J. C. Gilbert.
C. H. Hersey. Miss Kate L. Tilden.
W. P. Chamberlain. Mrs. M. R. Osborne.

HEALTH COMMISSIONERS.

Ira J. Prouty, M. D. Edmund P. Dole.

A. B. Thurston, M. D.

ASSESSORS.

Daniel R. Cole. Daniel A. Brown.

Luther P. Alden.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Milton Blake.

CHIEF ENGINEER OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

John A. Batchelder.

ASSISTANT ENGINEERS.

M. L. Landers.
Chas. G. Farrar.†
Joseph G. Griffith.
George F. Howe.*
Reuben Ray.
Henry H. Haines.
Oscar P. Applin.

POLICE OFFICERS.

Jos. H. Spofford.
Wm. H. Reyoum.
Parker C. Butler.
Reuben Ray.
Henry M. Darling.
Chas. Wright.
C. A. Mason.
Fred H. Wilson.
Frank Harmon.
J. S. Richardson.
W. R. Scripture.
Edwin O. Keith.
Henry H. Haines.
Chas. H. Spofford.
James H. Smith.
Ralph J. Holt.
Samuel O. Gates.
Wm. S. Tuttle.
Henry B. Dean.

SURVEYORS OF WOOD.

C. K. Pemberton.
M. A. Stowell.
C. A. Mason.
Z. K. Graves.
H. C. Fairbanks.
A. E. Bennett.
G. H. Follansbee.
M. Reardon.
Eugene Seaver.
S. H. Holman.
T. H. Bolio.
E. R. Gerould.
James H. Smith.

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* Deceased.
† Resigned.

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER.

C. K. Pemberton.
M. A. Stowell.
C. A. Mason.
S. H. Holman.
O. H. Fay.
J. Wilson.
D. C. Thompson.
M. E. Buckminster.
O. C. Mansfield.
Henry N. Stone.
F. H. Fay.

WEIGHERS.

H. P. Muchmore.
F. E. Foster.
L. W. Hammond.
H. A. Woodward.
George H. Giffin.
Luther P. Alden.
George E. Fuller.

WARD OFFICERS.

MODERATORS.

Ward 1. Joseph B. Abbott.
Ward 2. Chas. G. Farrar.
Ward 3. Wilton H. Spalter.
Ward 4. Zebina K. Graves.
Ward 5. Sylvanus A. Morse.

SELECTMEN.

Ward 1. Charles W. Buckminster, Herbert A. Davis, Milan H. Johnson.
Ward 2. George C. Wood, George A. Nims, Charles W. Castle.
Ward 3. Frank M. Davis, Reuben Ray, Herbert O. Wardwell.
Ward 4. Gale C. Shedd, Eugene M. Keyes, Daniel E. Hathorn.
Ward 5. Austin O'Brien, Charles P. Pitcher, Michael H. Houston.

WARD CLERKS.

Ward 1. Ainsworth M. Nims. Ward 3. Ira D. Gates.
Ward 2. Walter W. Glazier. Ward 4. Michael L. Landers.
Ward 5. Daniel D. Kepple.

SUPERVISORS.

Ward 1. Henry H. Beckwith. Ward 3. Martin A. Stowell.
Ward 2. Henry W. Nims. Ward 4. Daniel A. Brown.
Ward 5. Lester K. Stiles.

ORDINANCES AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Passed by the City Councils in 1887.

CITY OF KEENE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to regular meetings.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the City Councils meet on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7.30 o'clock p. m. for general business.

Passed January 6, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to annual appropriations.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That in accordance with the recommendations of the Finance Committee, the following sums be appropriated for the various departments, and that $30,000 be raised by taxation the present year, and that the balance of said sum be paid from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Ordinary city charges,	$6,000 00
City paupers,	3,500 00
Highways and bridges,	7,500 00
Public sewers, new,	500 00

Fire department,	$2,500 00	
Police,	2,000 00	
Lighting streets,	2,000 00	
Public library,	500 00	
Support of public library,	500 00	
Memorial services,	150 00	
Interest on sewer loan,	2,800 00	
Interest on M. & K. R. R. gratuity bonds,	6,400 00	
Payment of water bonds,	11,500 00	
		$45,850 00

Passed January 6, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION in relation to electric lights.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Committee on Lamps and Lamp Posts be and hereby are authorized to contract with the Keene Gas Light Co. for electric street lights not exceeding seven in number, nor exceeding $100 per light per year, and the gas lights now in use done away with by these seven lights shall draw proportionately from gas bill, and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars therefor.

Passed January 20, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to numbering of houses and places of business.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Streets be authorized to procure such information as will enable them to properly number the houses, places of business, and prospective building lots in this city, and present a plan therefor at next regular meeting.

That the expense incurred in the performance of this duty be paid from any available funds in the Treasury.

Passed January 20, 1887.

AN ORDINANCE relating to the appointment of a Superintendent of the electric fire alarm and his duties.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

Section 1. There shall be appointed by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen in the month of January, annually, or when a vacancy exists, a Superintendent of Fire Alarm, who shall hold his office for one year, or until his removal or the appointment of another in his stead. The Superintendent of Fire Alarm shall have the care and general supervision of all lines and apparatus connected with the fire alarm circuit belonging to the city. In the use of the alarm and sounding of calls therein, he shall be governed by the rules and regulations established by the engineers or by their order, unless otherwise instructed by the Mayor and Aldermen.

Sect. 2. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent to keep the circuit and apparatus in good working order, at all times, and to promptly repair or renew all work or interruptions to the circuit or the apparatus connected therewith. He shall see that all electric or other wires are kept at a safe distance from the fire alarm circuit. In cutting or removing such wires or other obstructions he shall act under the directions of the Mayor and Aldermen. All material and supplies needed for repairs and maintainance of the fire alarm he shall procure through the Committee on Fire Department, who shall see that proper supplies for ordinary repairs and maintainance are kept on hand by the city. He shall carefully inspect all portions of the fire alarm circuit, and apparatus, in the months of April and September, annually, and report all repairs or changes needed, to the Committee on Fire Department. He shall inspect each fire alarm box, and test the same as often as once in each month, keeping a record of all such tests, with the date and number of the box tested. He shall make sure that all boxes are in order, after severe storms. He shall cause the circuit to be used on Saturday of each week, and a box to be pulled in at noon, as provided by the regulations. The boxes to be pulled, alternately, and a record be kept of the same.

Passed February 3, 1887.

AN ORDINANCE relating to amending chapter 31 of the Revised City Ordinances.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That chapter 31 of the Revised City Ordinances is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 26. The Superintendent of the City Fire Alarm shall receive in full for his services, the sum of one hundred dollars per year, to be paid in quarterly payments.

Passed February 3, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the Simmons and Eastburn Funds.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Treasurer be and hereby is authorized to draw from funds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of thirteen hundred dollars, the same being the amount of the Simmons Fund, and the sum of three hundred dollars, being the amount of the Eastburn Fund, now in said treasury, with interest on said sums since January 1, 1887, and to deposit the same in the Keene Guaranty Savings Bank in the name of the Treasurer of the City of Keene, there to remain to meet the demands upon the same until said funds or either of them be otherwise invested.

Passed February 3, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to relieving bondsmen of L. C. Doolittle, late City Clerk.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the City Solicitor be and hereby is authorized and directed to settle by compromise the several cases now pending in the Supreme Court in favor of said City of Keene against Lucius C. Doolittle, late clerk of said city, and William P. Chamberlain,

Alexander H. Grimes, Samuel O. Gates, Gardner C. Hill, John B. Fisher, Amos B. Heywood, and Daniel H. Sawyer, bondsmen of said Doolittle; provided said bondsmen allow judgment to be entered up in the sum of five dollars and taxable costs in each of said cases.

Passed February 3, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to additional fire alarm boxes.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Committee on Fire Department be authorized to purchase five electric fire alarm boxes, and the same be connected with the circuit at such points as the committee and engineers may decide upon, and the sum of three hundred dollars is hereby appropriated therefor.

Passed February 17, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the purchasing of water pipe.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Water Works be authorized to purchase a car load of cast iron water pipe, for the use of the city water works in case of needed repairs, and the sum of four hundred and twenty-five dollars is hereby appropriated to pay for said pipe.

Passed February 17, 1887.

AN ORDINANCE in relation to the numbering of buildings.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

Section 1. The Committee on Streets, subject to the orders and ordinances of the City Councils, shall from time to time as the convenience of the public may require, cause numbers in regular series to be fixed to or inscribed on all dwelling houses and other buildings or parts of buildings fronting on any street, alley or public place in said city; and shall also determine the form, size and material of such numbers, and the mode, place, succession and order of inscribing and affixing them on such houses or other buildings. The numbers shall proceed continuously from place of beginning, and each number shall be as nearly opposite its alternate as may be. The buildings fronting upon Central Square shall be numbered consecutively, beginning with Bank Block on the east side and numbering north to City Hall Block; thence west across the north side from Clarke's Block to Court street; thence south across the west side from Lane's Block to West street. The six streets radiating from Central Square, namely, Main, Roxbury, Washington, Court, Winter and West, to be numbered continuously from this point. Streets which are west of Main or Washington and parallel or nearly so with West, shall be numbered from east to west, and those lying east of Main or Washington and parallel or nearly so with Roxbury shall be numbered from west to east. Streets lying north of West or Roxbury and parallel or nearly so with Court or Washington shall be numbered from south to north, and those lying south of West or Roxbury and parallel or nearly so with Main shall be numbered from north to south. In all streets the odd numbers are to be placed on the right hand side, and the even numbers on the left hand side of streets. The reservation of a specified length of frontage for each number may be allowed to vary according to the location of the street.

Sect. 2. A competent person shall be employed to prepare a book containing an outline map or tracing of each street in the city, with the houses thereon, together with the length of frontage allowed for each number distinctly indicated, so that each person can ascertain with convenience and certainty the number which belongs to each lot. This book to be kept with the City Clerk for reference and use of the city.

Sect. 3. Any owner or occupant of any building or part of a

building who shall neglect or refuse for sixty days to affix to the same the number designated by the Street Committee, or who shall affix to the same or retain thereon more than one day any number contrary to the direction of said committee, shall forfeit and pay a penalty of not less than one dollar nor more than twenty dollars for every such offence; and a like penalty for every day thereafter until the directions of said committee are complied with. To secure uniformity of appearance and economy in price, the figures to be used at the present time and the affixing of the same shall be furnished by contract; the owner of the building numbered to pay only the actual cost of the figures.*

Passed March 17, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to salaries of Board of Education.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the sum of fifteen dollars be paid to each member of the Board of Education of Union School District for services for the year ending March 1, 1887, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed March 17, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the numbering of buildings.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Committee on Streets be authorized and are hereby instructed to carry into effect the provisions of ordinance relating to numbering of buildings. And the sum of five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for that purpose.

Passed March 17, 1887.

* Section 3 altered by amendment September 15, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to fire alarm box.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Fire Department are hereby authorized and instructed to purchase a fire alarm box and properly connect the same with the fire alarm circuit at some point near the Blodgett place in West Keene. The sum of one hundred and fifty dollars is hereby appropriated for said purpose from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed March 17, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to salary of Engineer, etc.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the salary of Engineer, Assistant Engineer, Fireman and Steward of the Steamer Company for the year commencing January 1, 1887, be as follows, in addition to their regular pay as firemen: Engineer, $60; Assistant Engineer, $25; Fireman, $10; Steward, $50.

Passed March 17, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to salary of Steward of Hook and Ladder company.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Steward of Hook and Ladder company receive five dollars per year more than that now allowed by the city, to take effect April 1, 1887.

Passed April 7, 1887.

AN ORDINANCE amending section 3, of chapter 13 of the City Ordinances.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That section 3, chapter 13 of the City Ordinances be amended by inserting the word "ten" in place of the word "five," and the word "fifteen" in place of the word "twenty," so that the same shall read:

Section 3. The Board of Trustees are hereby authorized to employ an Assistant Librarian not exceeding ten hours per week and to pay such assistant not exceeding fifteen cents per hour.

Passed in board of Mayor and Aldermen, April 7, 1887.

Passed in Common Council, April 21, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to service of School Board.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the compensation of the members of the School Board for services during the year ending March 12, 1887, be fixed at twenty dollars each, and that said sum be paid to Henry O. Spaulding, Charles W. Buckminster and Joseph Chase, composing said Board for said year, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed April 21, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to fire alarm extension.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Fire Department be authorized to contract for the erection and purchase of poles and the extending of the fire alarm lines, so as to connect fire alarm boxes 14 and 53 at the points at which they have been located by the engineers and committee, viz: box 14, Water street, opposite Grove street; box 53, corner Davis and Ralston streets. And the sum of one hundred and thirty-five dollars is hereby appropriated for said purpose from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed May 5, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to purchasing hose.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Committee on Fire Department are authorized to purchase six hundred feet of cotton rubber lined hose for the use of the fire department, to take the place of hose that was condemned. The new hose to be paid for from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed May 5, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to concrete sidewalks.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Streets be and are hereby authorized to contract for the laying of concrete sidewalks to complete the walks laid out by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of last year, and also of those that are or may be laid out the present year; and that the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) be appropriated for that purpose.

Passed May 19, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION in relation to electric lights.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Lamps and Lamp Posts be and hereby are authorized to make a contract in behalf of the city with the Keene Gas Light Co., for twenty street lights, for the term of three years, in accordance with the terms of a proposition by said committee.

Passed May 19, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the new water extension.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the sum of three thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to be used in finishing the new water works extension, and the committee be authorized to employ competent persons to take charge of said work, and to pay the same from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed May 19, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to school money.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the money by law assessed in the City of Keene for the support of schools the present year, and the portion of literary fund assigned to the city, and the unexpended balance of the dog tax and the income of the Hibbard Fund, be apportioned among the school districts as follows, to wit: seventy-five dollars to be assigned to each district for each school therein, and the remainder to be apportioned according to the number of scholars in each district respectively.

Passed June 2, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to drains.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars ($2,500.00) be appropriated for the purpose of constructing a new drain from French's blacksmith shop to Beaver brook, in accordance with the report of Joint Standing Committee on Streets and Drains.

Passed July 8, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to repairs on City Hall building.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Committee on City Hall be authorized to make the

needed repairs as recommended by said committee. The expense not to exceed five hundred dollars, to be paid for from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed July 8, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to laying water pipe.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Water Works be authorized to lay water pipe on Wilson street, and from Ralston street to near the Ashuelot river, and enlarge the pipe on Butler Court, and set three hydrants, and there be appropriated for the extension, sixteen hundred and fifty dollars.

Passed July 8, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to next regular meeting.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That when this body adjourn, it be to meet Thursday p. m., September 1, at 7.30 o'clock.

Passed July 8, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION in relation to repairs on Steamer and Hose house.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Lands and Buildings be and hereby are authorized to make a contract to repair and paint said buildings, and to appropriate the sum of six hundred dollars for the same.

Passed July 8, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to purchase of horses and harnesses for fire department.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Fire Department be authorized to purchase a pair of horses and harnesses for the use of the fire department. The same to be paid for out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed July 8, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the purchase of a ballot box.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the City Clerk be authorized to purchase a ballot box suitable for the use of the City Councils, and that the same be paid for out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed July 8, 1887.

AN ORDINANCE amending chapter 4, section 15 of City Ordinances.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That chapter 4, section 15 of City Ordinances be amended by inserting after the word "works" in the fifth line, the following, viz: "which credits shall be treated as an appropriation for the payment of the interest upon the water debt, the ordinary expenses of the water works and sewer department, and whatever balance shall remain at the expiration of the fiscal year shall be passed to the general fund, excepting five hundred dollars for contingent expenses," so that the same when amended shall read as follows:

Section 15. All moneys received on account of the water

works shall be paid weekly or oftener into the city treasury and a receipt shall be taken for the same; and all moneys paid into the treasury on account of said works shall be placed to the credit of the water works, which credits shall be treated as an appropriation for the payment of the interest upon the water debt, the ordinary expenses of the water works and sewer department, and whatever balance shall remain at the expiration of the fiscal year shall be passed to the general fund, excepting five hundred dollars for contingent expenses, and shall not be paid out except under the provisions of chapter 1, section 5.

Passed August 20, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to pauper account.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the sum of twenty-five hundred and seventy-nine dollars and forty cents be and hereby is appropriated for the payment of County pauper claims out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed August 20, 1887.

AN ORDINANCE in amendment of the ordinance in relation to the numbering of buildings.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the ordinance entitled "an ordinance in relation to the numbering of buildings," passed March 17, 1887, be amended by striking out the whole of section 3 of said ordinance, and substituting therefor the following:

Section 3. Any owner or occupant of any building or part of a building in said city who shall refuse to allow such number as may reasonably be required to carry out the purposes of this ordinance to be affixed to or remain upon his building when requested so to do by the Committee on Streets, or their agent, or who shall

display upon his building or buildings for more than one day, as a street number, any number contrary to the directions of said committee, shall forfeit and pay a penalty of not less than one dollar or more than twenty dollars for every such offence, and a like penalty for every day thereafter until the directions of said committee are complied with. To secure uniformity of appearance and economy, the figures to be used for numbering the buildings as hereinbefore provided, shall be furnished and affixed by the city.

Passed September 15, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION to pay expenses of annual inspection of the fire department.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That sixty dollars is hereby appropriated for the expenses of the annual inspection of the fire department, from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed September 15, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to additional appropriations.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That in addition to the amounts heretofore appropriated, the sum of twelve hundred dollars be appropriated for city paupers, and the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars be appropriated for highways and bridges, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed September 15, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to additional appropriation for fire department and Steamer house repairs.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the sum of five hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated for the fire department, and the sum of one hundred dollars be appropriated for the Steamer house repairs, in addition to the amounts heretofore appropriated for said purposes.

Passed October 6, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION in relation to electric lights.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the sum of four hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated for electric street lights now contracted for by the city.

Passed October 20, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to salary of Engineer, etc.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the salary of Engineer, Assistant Engineer, Fireman and Steward of the Steamer company for three months commencing October 1, 1885, be as follows in addition to their regular pay as firemen: Engineer, $15; Asssistant Engineer $6.25; Fireman, $2.50; Steward, $12.50.

Passed October 20, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to electric lights.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Committee on Lamps and Lamp Posts be and hereby are authorized to contract with the Keene Gas Light Co. for an electric street light at the junction of Cross and Elm streets, also one light on Dunbar street; one on Roxbury street near Beech; one on West street near the "Newcomb Place;" and

one on Winchester street near Butler Court, as requested by the several strong petitions presented for the above lights by numerous citizens.

Passed November 3, 1887.

AN ORDINANCE in addition to and amendment of chapter 14 of City Ordinances.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That chapter 14, City Ordinances, be amended by inserting after section 6 the following, to wit:

Section 7. The tenant or occupant, or if there be no tenant, the owner of any building or lot of land bordering on any street where there is a sidewalk of brick, stone or concrete, shall cause all snow to be removed from such sidewalk adjoining his premises, within six hours after the snow shall have ceased to fall, if in the day-time, or before two of the clock of the afternoon next succeeding, if the snow shall have ceased to fall in the night.

Also by changing the number of section 7 in said chapter to section 8.

Passed November 17, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION for a fire alarm box.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the Committee on Fire Department be authorized to have erected at the corner of Ashuelot and West streets, a fire alarm box, to be paid for out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed November 17, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to appropriations.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That in addition to the appropriations heretofore made, the following sums be and hereby are appropriated for the following purposes:

For highways and bridges, twelve hundred dollars; water works extension, nine hundred dollars; new lamps, Railroad street, three hundred and twenty dollars; street lights, one hundred dollars; the same to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed December 1, 1887.

AN ORDINANCE to amend chapter 32, section 1, of the City Ordinances.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Elgin as follows:

That chapter 32, section 1, of the City Ordinances be amended by striking out the word "two" and inserting the words "three hundred and fifty," so that the ordinance shall read as amended as follows:

Section 1. The Mayor shall receive in full for his services as Mayor, head of the police, and for all other duties appertaining to his office, the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars per year, to be paid in equal quarterly payments.

Passed December 15, 1887.

A JOINT RESOLUTION in relation to Mr. N. G. Gurney's claim.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Elgin as follows:

That the sum of three hundred dollars is hereby appropriated to pay the claim of Mr. N. G. Gurney, for services on the new water works extension during the summer and fall of 1887, to be paid from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed December 15, 1887.

ANNUAL REPORTS.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Joint Standing Committee on Finance respectfully lay before the City Councils the following statement of all receipts and expenditures from December 1, 1886, to December 1, 1887, together with a schedule of property, real and personal, belonging to the city, and the value thereof, and the amount of the city debt.

EXPENDITURES.

ORDINARY CHARGES.

Balance appropriation, 1886,	$1,370 34	
Appropriation, 1887,	6,000 00	
		$7,370 34
Paid Davis, Wright & Co., brooms,	$1 93	
C. E. Keith, labor on city hall building, paints, etc.,	53 23	
G. H. Aldrich & Son, insurance on city hall building,	62 50	
Milton Blake, salary as Health Commissioner, 1886,	20 00	
John G. Lesure, salary as Selectman,	5 00	
Fred E. Cushing, salary as Ward Clerk and recording,	8 00	

Paid Reuben Ray, salary as Selectman,		$5 00
Oscar H. Fay,	" "	5 00
Myron C. Ellis,	" "	5 00
Calvin H. Ellis,	" "	5 00
Chas. H. Butler,	" "	5 00
Joseph B. Abbott, salary as Moderator,		2 00
Chas. G. Farrar,	" "	2 00
Zebina K. Graves,	" "	2 00
John W. Babbitt,	" "	2 00
Fred L. Pitcher,	" "	2 00
W. W. Glazier, salary as Ward Clerk and recording,		8 00
Ira D. Gates, salary as Ward Clerk and recording,		8 00
M. L. Landers, salary as Ward Clerk and recording,		8 00
A. M. Nims, salary as Ward Clerk and recording,		8 00
Chas. W. Buckminster, salary as Selectman,		5 00
Herbert A. Davis,	" "	5 00
George C. Wood,	" "	5 00
Carlos L. Seavey,	" "	5 00
Frank O. Wright,	" "	5 00
Fred W. Chase,	" "	5 00
Frank M. Davis,	" "	5 00
Edward W. Gustine, bracket lamp and ewer,		1 30
D. K. Healey, insurance on city hall,		60 00
Henry O. Coolidge, balance of salary as Treasurer,		50 00
A. T. Batchelder, balance of salary as Mayor,		50 00
Sylvanus A. Morse, balance of salary as Assessor,		30 00
Daniel R. Cole, balance of salary as Assessor,		30 00
Joseph B. Abbott, fees as Assistant Police Justice,		36 00

Paid Daniel A. Brown, balance of salary as Assessor,	$30 00
E. P. Dole, salary as Health Commissioner,	20 00
Ira J. Prouty, " " "	20 00
N. G. Gurnsey, salary as Superintendent of Cemeteries,	50 00
F. N. Wood, labor at Ward room, Ward 5,	2 00
John T. Abbott, complaints and warrants,	43 50
Lester K. Stiles, salary as Supervisor,	6 25
John T. Abbott, " "	7 50
H. H. Beckwith, " "	15 00
Martin A. Stowell, " "	7 50
Laton Martin, " "	5 00
Lane & Dole, attending courts, preparing briefs, school house case,	118 50
C. G. Britton, State against Hall, witness fees,	1 01
C. H. Spofford, labor at Ward room, Ward 1,	2 00
H. O. Coolidge, expenses for new city water bonds,	58 05
John A. Drummer, damage widening Elm street,	1 00
Sentinel Printing Company, printing reports and blanks and advertising,	308 25
Henry W. Nims, salary as Supervisor,	17 50
Daniel A. Brown, salary as Supervisor,	15 00
Lewis Ellis, land damage, laying out Ellis street,	25 00
M. M. Parks, land damage, laying out street from Church to Railroad,	200 00
Milton Blake, recording deaths and marriages for State Board of Health,	29 55
Leonard Wellington, land damage, widening Elm street,	1 00
George H. Tilden & Co., frame for Simmons picture,	20 00
E. O. Keith, repairs on city hall building,	22 90

Paid J. W. Cummings, repairs on city hall building,	$3 37
E. G. Whitcomb, watering trough,	5 25
H. W. Keyes, use of boat to find Coffey's body,	1 50
J. D. Colony & Sons, printing and advertising,	50 00
Bullard & Foster, alcohol for hall,	40
Pratt & Munsell, ice,	2 50
Lyman Gay, land damage, widening Elm street,	1 00
Chas. Giffin, mason work, repairs, basement engine house,	15 75
Milton Blake, recording deaths,	19 35
John T. Abbott, expenses in Doolittle cases,	24 40
E. R. Locke, fees in criminal cases,	126 46
Knowlton & Stone, hardware supplies for hall,	7 56
A. H. Grimes, soap,	20
Charles Parker, shovelling snow, city hall building,	4 50
E. Gustine & Co., lamp and fixtures for Clerk's office,	22 64
W. H. Spalter, receipts, envelopes, rubber bands and ink,	2 75
Laton Martin, carriage for Ward's funeral,	2 50
W. H. Spalter, salary as School Committee,	15 00
Henry S. Martin, " " "	15 00
George Tilden, " " "	15 00
E. A. Renouf, " " "	15 00
G. C. Hill, " " "	15 00
Chas. H. Hersey, " " "	15 00
J. W. Sturtevant, " " "	15 00
Ira J. Prouty, " " "	15 00
Joseph B. Abbott, " " "	15 00
E. O. Keith, postage stamps,	2 75
Kirk & Sewall, repairs on hall building,	8 79

Paid Reuben Ray, iron work on furnace and on steamer house stable,	$4 75
Eagle Hotel, rent ward room,	10 00
Blake & Mason, directories,	4 50
M. S. Brown, liquors, town agent,	371 73
Geo. E. Newman, land damage on Ellis street,	1 00
Geo. Tilden, insurance city hall building,	62 50
E. S. Foster, wood work, engine house,	23 50
Hosea Foster, examining records,	3 00
Milton Blake, recording deaths,	12 06
Henry O. Spaulding, salary as Town School Committee,	20 00
Charles W. Buckminster, salary as Town School Committee,	20 00
Joseph Chase, salary as Town School Committee,	20 00
John T. Abbott, term fees,	16 00
P. C. Butler, salary as Assistant Assessor,	48 00
Marshall A. Davis, land damage, widening Elm street,	1 00
Asa Smith, paid Mrs. Livermore for injury, falling on sidewalk,	25 00
Edmund P. Dole, County Solicitor, fees in Mrs. Livermore's case,	5 00
Geo. B. Twitchell, professional services, Mrs. Livermore,	15 00
Milton Blake, damages tendered L. J. Tuttle for street layout and deposited in Citizens National Bank to his order,	350 00
New England Telegraph and Telephone Co., moving poles on Marlboro' street,	18 75
Samuel O. Gates, salary as Tax Collector,	550 00
Daniel H. Holbrook, damages widening Elm street,	1 00
Edward Farrar, Justice fees,	74 00
W. H. Spalter, envelopes,	3 30

Paid Keith & Hulett, paint and labor, city hall building,	$5 33
E. O. Keith, putting stand pipe on Washington street and drinking fountain check,	67 04
John Driscoll, burying dogs,	1 00
Luther P. Alden, salary as Assessor, in part,	110 00
Daniel R. Cole, salary as Assessor, in part,	110 00
Daniel A. Brown, " " "	110 00
A. H. Grimes, soap and brooms,	80
John T. Abbott, to complaint warrants,	12 00
E. O. Keith, gas fixtures, piping and labor,	8 78
Milton Blake, damages tendered Mrs. Jane Elliot for street layout and deposited in Citizens National Bank to her order,	50 00
Wood heirs, land damage for street layout,	1 00
Henry B. Swan, land damage for street layout,	45 00
Woodbury & Howard, mirror and chair for city hall,	2 25
Knowlton & Stone, faucets for Liquor Agent,	1 20
Davis, Wright & Co., 2 coal hods, labor and material, city hall,	8 20
E. R. Locke, expenses after W. H. Pettis,	17 45
Davis, Wright & Co., tin, solder and labor, city hall roof,	53 35
J. B. Hyland, examination of Flavel P. Smith,	5 00
Geo. H. Bridgman, examination of Flavel P. Smith,	5 00
Mrs. Mary Ryan, cleaning police station,	3 25
E. O. Keith, supplies furnished and cash paid, cleaning hall,	24 20
Keith & Hulett, stock and painting city hall,	142 10

Paid N. G. Gurnsey, salary as Superintendent of Cemeteries,	$25	00
Don H. Woodward, counsel fees for Mackey boy,	5	00
J. H. Spofford, witness fees,	25	41
Darling & Kimball, printing Assessors' posters, water assessments, etc.,	23	25
Chas. H. Spofford, witness fees,	2	31
Geo. H. Craig, painting engine house,	60	92
Oliver B. Perry, burying dogs,	1	00
Josiah G. Bellows, fees for insane persons,	10	50
Geo. H. Craig, painting Deluge house,	12	85
Town of Nelson, tax for year 1887,	6	12
Town of Roxbury, tax for year 1887,	96	00
A. L. Harkness, painting sign, Steamer house,	15	00
H. W. Hubbard, repairs,		75
William Metcalf, damage to land by fire,	75	00
Knowlton & Stone, hammer, grass hook, etc.,	1	57
Simpson Bros., concrete walk, front city hall,	86	00
W. P. Chamberlain, crape,		97
Henry B. Swan, damage rendered on road and expenses,	33	00
Mrs. Asa Smith, damage to fence by snow plow,	3	00
E. R. Locke, cash paid, burying dog,		25
Samuel Wadsworth, survey of new street to Wheelock Park,	23	03
Spencer & Co., coal, city hall building,	146	20
John T. Abbott, court fees,	21	00
Edward Farrar, salary as Police Justice and Justice fees,	66	84
W. S. Tuttle, serving warrants,	3	96
W. H. Spalter, supplies City Clerk's office,	3	90
Milton Blake, copying taxes,	45	00

Paid Milton Blake, postal cards, stamps, box-rent, etc.,	$18 19	
John T. Abbott, salary as City Solicitor,	50 00	
Charles Parker, labor on stage of city hall,	5 50	
G. H. Tilden & Co., books for scholars,	86 61	
Milton Blake, salary as City Clerk,	500 04	
W. H. Spalter, school books for children,	54 75	
Keene Gas Light Co., gas,	397 13	
E. O. Keith, salary as City Messenger,	400 00	
N. E. Telephone & Telegraph Co., use of instrument,	39 80	
Asa Smith, salary as Mayor,	150 00	
Charles H. Hersey, salary as Auditor,	100 00	
James E. Parmenter, salary as Clerk of Council,	50 00	
Cash paid physicians, records of births and deaths,	46 00	
J. W. Cummings, labor at city hall.	59 40	
Giffin & Son, coal,	13 71	
G. Fred Little, labor on stage at city hall,	28 50	
Keene Highway Department, labor performed on Wheelock Park,	21 00	
		$7,230 64
Balance carried to new account,		$139 70

CITY PAUPERS.

Balance appropriation, 1886,	$338 85	
Appropriation, 1887,	4,700 00	
		$5,038 85
Paid W. G. Hall, dry goods,	$5 50	
Joseph B. Abbott, taking affidavits,	9 00	
G. G. Elwell, use of wood shed,	25 00	
Fisher & Jackson, burial Donovan child,	10 00	
George H. Nims, wood,	443 65	

Paid George H. Tilden & Co., books,	$1 20
Henry O. Spaulding, wood,	47 28
William Eastman, sawing wood,	3 00
Fisher & Sherman, boots and shoes,	10 15
J. F. & F. H. Whitcomb, clothing,	8 00
George E. Newman, wood.	51 75
Sylvester Spaulding, boots and shoes,	8 95
Mrs. Emma L. Carpenter, support of Charles Bemis,	20 00
Mrs. J. W. Price, milk,	1 80
Mrs. Oscar Blake, rent, I. J. Griffith,	12 00
G. C. Hill, professional services, Crossfield, Pettis and Ballou,	15 00
Woodbury & Howard, coffin,	20 00
Knowlton & Stone, hardware supplies,	1 00
W. C. Bigelow, milk,	10 86
Mrs. Abbie Driscoll, care Michael O. Kelly,	10 00
J. B. Fisher, shoes,	16 15
Joseph Chase, guardian Azubah Britton,	65 04
C. R. Folsom, shoes, E. Greenwood,	4 00
N. G. Gurnsey, services as Sexton,	7 50
Laton Martin, hacks for funerals, horse hire, etc.,	37 00
Mrs. J. O. Amadon, support of self and family,	240 00
L. F. Buffum, support of E. Ballou,	396 11
First Congregational society, house rent, Mrs. Graves,	72 00
State Industrial School, care Langdon, Hall and Bishop boys,	164 14
S. A. Howard, support Mrs. A. Howard,	78 20
J. R. Beal & Co., clothing,	12 50
J. H. Robbins, care of H. Ballou,	83 81
Mrs. Chas. Phillips, house rent, Mrs. Coffey,	50 00
James Greenwood, care self and wife,	136 00
Eugene Symonds, board E. Greenwood,	59 06

Paid	F. O. Nims, rent, Mrs. Amadon,	$16 00
	M. V. B. Clark, groceries,	167 83
	P. H. McCushing, "	65 00
	F. E. Keyes, "	96 41
	C. Bridgman, "	172 18
	Boston Branch Grocery, groceries,	111 08
	Fisher & Jackson, coffins,	20 00
	Geo. E. Holbrook & Co., groceries,	36 00
	P. Howland, sawing wood,	38 82
	P. Howland, salary as Overseer of Poor,	125 00
	I. J. Prouty, salary as City Physician,	12 50
	F. H. Wright, shoes,	15 75
	A. Bancroft, meat and provisions,	85 41
	H. M. Darling, " "	12 00
	E. W. Holden & Co., shoes,	11 95
	J. B. Hyland, salary as City Physician,	37 50
	J. B. Hyland, professional services.	59 00
	C. M. Cummings, shoes,	22 50
	Mason & Wheeler, clothing,	14 90
	B. F. Wheeler, house rent, Fernall,	32 00
	A. H. Grimes, groceries,	51 00
	Geo. H. Piper & Co., dry goods,	28 70
	P. Howland, wood bought,	18 25
	P. Howland, cash paid,	8 00
	J. C. Newton, rent for A. Blanchard,	60 00
	Geo. H. Bridgman, professional services,	18 00
	Mrs. McLaughlin, support of self and family,	20 50
	Spencer & Co., coal,	27 38
	Boston Branch Shoe Store, shoes,	20 36
	Moses Ellis, rent, Geo. W. Sheldon,	52 90
	Chase & Richards, clothing,	3 50
	N. H. Asylum, care of Pierce, Gerould, Crossfield, Pettis, Townshend, Ballou and Perry,	739 86
	W. P. Chamberlain, dry goods,	13 04
	Bullard & Foster, medicine,	14 27
	E. G. Randall, trucking,	57 05

Paid L. Weeks, rent, E. Greenwood,	$35 00	
Henry Giffin, coal,	83 64	
Dennis Callahan, milk,	23 10	
T. A. Hastings, wood,	151 76	
Cheshire County, amount charged from county to city,	123 65	
		$4,837 44
Balance carried to new account,		$201 41

COUNTY PAUPERS.

Paid Milton Blake, taking affidavits,	$1 50
Laton Martin, horse hire,	14 00
A. H. Hamblett, milk, Mrs. Mitchell,	2 76
Sawyer & Burnham, lumber and work,	2 37
O. S. Tenney, milk, Mrs. Seward and Robinson,	4 74
Mrs. Alma Reed, care Mrs. Greenway,	3 25
Mrs. S. Whitehouse, care Mrs. Marsh,	5 00
Fisher & Sherman, shoes,	27 00
John Russell, teaming,	1 75
Eagle Hotel, food for tramps,	8 00
J. F. & F. H. Whitcomb, clothing,	18 84
N. G. Woodbury, wood,	4 50
Sylvester Spaulding, shoes,	19 45
A. G. Grimes, hack, Bishop girl,	1 00
J. W. Cummings, care Ann Cummings,	19 00
Elbridge Kingsbury, conveyance of P. R. Gay to Westmoreland,	2 00
Arthur Woods, board and care of Lizzie Haley,	46 00
J. S. Taft, rent, William LaPlant,	6 50
Mrs. Lydia Loisell, work, Lizzie Haley,	4 00
Johanna Gleason, board Lizzie Haley,	13 00
Mrs. M. Handerson, care of George Handerson,	10 00

Paid	Mrs. A. E. Bennett, hats,	$3 50
	S. L. Randall, dry goods,	2 00
	Mrs. Edna Nims, care of J. Kinson,	3 00
	Mrs. Amos Ray, " "	7 14
	Mason & Wheeler, clothing,	11 75
	Dr. Geo. B. Twitchell, amputation of Handerson's foot,	55 00
	P. Howland, taking C. Burns to Westmoreland,	2 00
	N. H. Asylum, support of R. F. Whitney,	7 25
	J. B. Fisher, shoes,	5 00
	C. W. Farwell, milk,	3 78
	State Industrial School, care of Mackey boy,	7 50
	Mrs. Ann Tyrrell, care of John Kinson,	12 86
	C. S. Reed, milk,	4 14
	Mrs. Frank Davis, care William Haskell,	14 00
	Matthew Tighe, milk,	1 83
	Wm. L. Cheever, care Frankie Newton,	34 86
	L. W. Wilder, butter, John Kinson,	8 37
	Mrs. Ann Tyrrell, care John Kinson,	7 86
	G. L. Lovejoy, coffin, R. Whitney,	19 90
	J. B. Hyland, professional services,	18 00
	Miles Davis, care of Benj. Clark,	5 00
	N. G. Gurnsey, services as Sexton,	6 00
	Geo. E. Holbrook & Co., groceries,	72 00
	C. M. Cummings, shoes,	26 55
	Dexter Ware, support of Delaney Ware,	34 85
	E. W. Holden & Co., shoes,	38 05
	Lucius Breed, board of Amos Ray and wife,	56 00
	Dennis Callahan, milk,	6 87
	Boston Branch Shoe Store, shoes,	10 95
	C. N. Chandler & Co., medicines,	3 50
	Woodbury & Howard, coffins,	62 50
	Mrs. J. Lavin, board Mary Murphy,	14 00
	Mrs. Addie Davis, care of J. Kinson,	99 45
	F. O. Nims, house rent, J. Kinson,	30 59

Paid Joseph Chase, milk,	$26	91
Mrs. Priscilla Willard, care of Maud Bishop,	113	00
Moses Ellis, house rent, Mrs. Shortell and James Murray,	37	50
C. Bridgman, groceries,	133	06
E. Belliveau, milk,	4	02
J. Heald, rent, Wm. J. Dawson,	52	00
Spencer & Co., coal,	59	25
H. M. Darling, meat,	57	45
Invalids Home, board Maud Bishop,	50	86
Chase & Richards, clothing,	7	00
David Knight, house rent, G. W. Seward,	57	63
Eda I. Davis, care Isabel Sawin,	48	75
Thomas Lahey, house rent, Geo. Guyotte,	32	25
Sylvia Snow, support self,	78	20
Kesiah Billings, " "	33	87
John Ellis, " "	59	35
F. E. Keyes, groceries,	194	64
Hosea Foster, house rent, C. A. Seward,	40	00
Amos Bancroft, meat and provisions,	119	94
F. H. Wright, shoes,	51	70
Geo. H. Piper & Co., dry goods,	67	01
Thomas Madden, house rent, Geo. Priest,	42	50
John Rutherford, house rent, Donald Cameron,	55	00
Faulkner & Colony, house rent, John Ryan,	54	00
Cheshire Railroad, house rent, Mrs. Donovan,	38	00
J. A. Barry, house rent, C. C. Sargent,	10	38
M. V. B. Clark, groceries,	117	84
Mrs. Mary Lewis, support of self,	118	72
C. C. Sargent, " "	64	00
P. Howland, tickets,	22	12
Mrs. Alexander, hats,	2	25
Albert Hamblett, milk,	8	19

Paid E. G. Randall, trucking,	$33 25	
C. W. Holman, milk,	63 45	
Davis, Wright & Co., hardware,	8 41	
A. H. Grimes, groceries,	250 94	
P. Howland, sawing wood,	16 85	
W. P. Chamberlain, dry goods,	31 62	
Bullard & Foster, medicines,	22 47	
Boston Branch Grocery, groceries,	207 01	
Mrs. J. Foley, house rent, Mrs. Buckley,	6 00	
F. S. Smith, care Bishop boy,	11 33	
P. Howland, wood bought,	33 25	
Giffin & Son, coal,	139 56	
Mrs. Shortell, support of self,	39 08	
J. R. Beal & Co., clothing,	37 00	
Geo. H. Bridgman, salary,	75 00	
Geo. H. Bridgman, professional services,	25 50	
Joseph Pagot, house rent, C. C. Sargent,	44 00	
S. E. Wyman, care of R. Blake,	78 20	
Mrs. C. Phillips, rent, D. Coffey,	10 00	
Mrs. McLaughlin, support self,	85 50	
Charlotte Huestis, support self,	42 29	
James Beirne, groceries,	11 00	
P. H. McCushing, groceries,	104 00	
Hiram Blake, house rent, Mary Lewis,	60 00	
Mrs. Grout, care Mrs. Mitchell,	67 60	
Mrs. Nahum Wright, care Alanson Bingham,	29 71	
		$4,302 22
Amount transferred from county to city by decision of Commissioners, etc.,		125 85
Total expense County Paupers,		$4,176 37

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Balance appropriation, 1886,	$524 19	
Appropriation, 1887,	11,200 00	
		$11,724 19

Paid Davis, Wright & Co., tools for building sidewalks, etc.,	$55	05
Stoddard Lumber Co., lumber,	48	57
George W. Stratton, sand,	1	10
A. H. Hamblett, poles for railings,	20	64
Simpson Bros., concrete walks built in 1886,	1,606	41
John A. Drummer, gravel,	11	60
Drummer & Woodbury, gravel,	7	36
John L. Butler, gravel,	40	77
A. Green, gravel,	28	08
Fisher & Jackson, lettering sign,	1	25
S. F. Merrill, loam,	4	80
J. G. Warren, stone post,	1	00
William Reed, gravel,	10	50
Joseph Chase, gravel,	10	64
Daniel C. Howard, stone cross walk,	18	00
R. W. Pratt, gravel,	7	12
Nims, Whitney & Co., wood and lumber,	5	11
C. W. Heaton, labor,	7	00
Bullard & Foster, alcohol and wormwood,		95
Herbert A. Davis, labor,	1	00
D. S. Willard, plowing sidewalks,	6	00
Faulkner & Colony, plank,		57
Amos Ross, labor,	1	50
Wilkinson & McGregor, repairs and supplies,	8	85
G. H. Piper & Co., cloth,		59
H. L. Wiswall, stringers for bridges,	125	00
Jehiel Harlow, road scraper and repairs,	10	50
A. H. Grimes, soap, kerosene oil, flour, salt,	1	88
W. H. Spalter, account books,		30
W. R. Scripture, plowing out roads,	9	90
James Mark, labor,	6	25
Samuel W. Dart, bridge plank and lumber,	265	42
Cheshire Provident Institution, gravel,	16	48

Paid	George Barrett, labor,	$12 50
	H. M. Nims, sand,	8 46
	A. E. Flagg, labor,	7 76
	Lucius P. Booth, labor,	12 55
	Isaac Rand, sand,	4 50
	Thomas Grimes, labor,	12 20
	James Wood, labor,	34 55
	Wm. H. Nourse, labor,	20 80
	H. O. Estey, labor,	3 00
	E. G. Randall, plowing sidewalks,	33 25
	Daniel A. Brown, labor,	4 50
	S. H. Holman, labor,	3 00
	S. C. Ellis, labor,	9 05
	A. T. Stearns, labor,	22 36
	E. H. Fletcher, hay,	51 50
	Irving Curtis, labor,	9 30
	Boston & Lowell Railroad, freight on irons for road scraper,	26
	W. W. Stone, plowing out sidewalks,	22 00
	A. H. Grimes, supplies,	1 64
	Cyrille Peruse, lumber for bridge,	26 09
	George W. Pierce, hay,	26 50
	Reuben Pike, labor,	4 50
	M. M. Parks, labor,	26 37
	George H. Randall, labor,	6 50
	Charles M. Foster, labor,	15 35
	E. Davis, labor and material,	13 40
	A. J. Williams, labor and material,	3 25
	George S. Wyman, labor and material,	6 00
	A. R. Foster, lumber,	5 70
	Sylvester Spaulding, professional service and rubber,	11 00
	William Perry, labor,	13 30
	J. Hadlock, edges for road machines,	12 00
	Dr. F. C. Wilkinson, professional care of horses,	22 00
	T. A. Hastings, lumber,	37 69
	H. W. Hubbard, repairs,	95

Paid J. W. Cummings, labor,	$5	00
A. J. Williams, straw,	20	78
G. H. Piper, cloth,		66
E. P. Aldrich, labor,	4	45
A. B. & S. W. Skinner, powder and fuse,	1	38
C. G. Crain, hay,	35	40
F. W. Nims, plank,	4	00
John McGregor, labor,	3	00
R. S. Graves, "	10	00
H. A. Davis, "	4	48
C. N. Chandler & Co., alcohol and wormwood,	1	33
Walter R. Scripture, labor,	6	15
Thomas Grimes, "	14	50
Cyrille Peruse, railing poles,	11	86
Laton Martin, plowing sidewalks,	31	50
Wilkinson & McGregor, halters and supplies,	5	00
Oscar Fay, labor,	14	00
James Reason, labor for year,	287	71
Geo. A. Nims, " "	650	39
John R. Russell, " "	38	50
Bill Pichi, " "	31	12
Frank Itlin, " "	28	11
Knowlton & Stone, hardware supplies,	160	56
C. N. Holman, labor,	128	62
Charles Ellis, labor and straw,	8	29
Young Jones, shoeing horses,	40	00
C. G. Crain, labor,	108	27
N. Denio, boots, blankets and harness,	37	85
M. Armstrong, iron pipe,	2	23
R. Ray, repairs of tools,	67	16
L. K. Davidson, labor,	10	05
Joe Palmer, labor for year,	192	37
Telephon Guannio, labor for year,	22	50
Patrick Mulvey, " "	151	10
Dan Keefe, " "	234	74
Anthony Gero, " "	264	50

Paid Mike Gorman, labor for year,	$202 48
Pat Dolan, " "	149 24
Mike Cornell, " "	232 12
C. H. Mason, salary for year,	234 50
J. W. Nye, labor,	8 79
Beaver Mills, hay, grain and lumber,	277 50
S. E. Wyman, labor,	8 80
David B. Stearns, labor,	29 75
C. K. Pemberton, shingling bridges, etc.,	72 11
C. Bridgman, hay, grain and oats,	44 24
Elmer A. Nims, salary as Superintendent of Streets.	550 00
H. M. Nims, labor,	404 24
John Carrigan, "	3 00
D. C. King, "	171 46
Edward A. Crown, salary,	547 75
Thomas T. Russell, labor for year,	358 75
James O'Leary, " "	31 87
H. H. Barker, " "	542 50
William Winn, " "	285 33
L. Monehan, " "	212 35
William Reason, " "	95 25
John Drury, " "	530 00
Arthur Dean, " "	323 75
Robert Doyle, " "	206 99
Richard Biglin, " "	174 75
William A. Wilder, " "	1 00
Total expense,	$11,180 05

AMOUNT CREDITED TO HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT.

To work on Wheelock Park from Ordinary Department,	$21 00
To work on New Public Sewer,	15 00
" Fire Department,	41 00

To work on Water Works,	$27 50	
" " extension, new pipe,	8 75	
		$113 25
Balance carried to new account,		$657 39

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Deficit,	$44 31	
Appropriation,	3,000 00	
		$2,955 69
Paid Davis, Wright & Co., labor on Steamer house,	$2 07	
Laton Martin, horse hire,	10 50	
M. L. Landers, salary as Assistant Engineer,	25 00	
City Hotel, coffee for firemen,	4 00	
Chas. G. Farrar, salary as Assistant Engineer,	25 00	
John A. Batchelder, salary as Chief Engineer,	30 00	
Geo. F. Howe, salary as Assistant Engineer,	25 00	
Reuben Ray, salary as Assistant Engineer,	25 00	
Chas. G. Crain, hay for hydrant boxes,	14 45	
M. Armstrong, repairs,	4 95	
Sentinel Printing Co., printing notices,	5 25	
Frank G. Pratt, care of fire alarm,	33 19	
F. N. Wood, examining hydrants,	2 00	
Wadsworth & Wright, cleaning fire alarm,	2 00	
S. P. Bowker, horse hire,	28 50	
Nims, Whitney & Co., lumber,	2 71	
David Russell, horse hire,	4 00	
John Dunbar, horse hire,	4 50	
Pevey Bros., zincs for fire alarm boxes,	25 93	

Paid M. V. B. Clark, coffee, crackers and cheese for firemen,	$17	15
Geo. W. Blaisdell, salary as Steward of Washington Hook and Ladder Co.,	20	00
F. N. Wood, salary as Steward of Phœnix Hose Co.,	20	00
W. H. Marsters, salary as Fireman,	7	50
C. H. Spofford, salary as Steward of Deluge Hose Co.,	20	00
Electric Gas Lighting Co., battery brush,	2	50
M. J. Perault, castings for boxes,	1	50
American Express Co., charge for package,		50
E. S. Foster, ladders,	14	00
Irving J. Griffith, salary as Fireman,	8	75
E. Z. Sanderson, " "	8	75
Glendon Co., ladder timber,	11	83
Frank W. Preble, salary as Fireman,	7	50
Warren B. Fitch, wood for engine house,	5	50
Chas. G. Farrar, salary as Assistant Engineer,	10	40
Spencer & Co., coal and oil,	37	03
J. E. Griffith, salary as Fireman,	3	75
American Fire Hose Manufacturing Co., new hose,	403	50
Abbott Downing Co., hooks and pikes,	11	00
Albert L. Russell, plug,	8	50
Wilkinson & McGregor, repairs,	1	50
B. W. Merrill, salary as Fireman,	12	50
Chas. Beauregard, wood for engine house,	5	25
George W. Ball, brick for engine house,	3	00
J. A. Batchelder, examining hydrants,	4	40
N. G. Gurnsey & Co., refreshments for firemen,	1	05
Humphrey Machine Co., making ladders and repairs,	42	02
T. A. Hastings, lumber,	3	60
N. Denio, chime of bells,	5	25

Paid A. B. & S. W. Skinner, curtain and pulley,	$1 25
O. E. Colony, postmaster, postal cards,	5 00
Boston Branch Grocery, oil,	72
Keith & Hulett, painting ladders,	7 35
Charles Butler, sawing wood,	75
C. N. Chandler & Co., sponge and powder for steamer,	90
W. S. Tuttle, stove for engine house,	20 00
C. Bridgman, brooms, matches, pails, oil, etc.,	9 14
E. A. Crown, care of team and steamer, Sundays,	52 00
Arthur Dean, care of team and steamer, Sundays,	35 00
Dr. F. C. Wilkinson, care of horses,	5 00
Keene Steam Fire Engine Co., pay roll for 1887,	292 50
Washington Hook and Ladder Co., pay roll for 1887,	241 25
Phœnix Hose Co., pay roll for 1887,	248 75
Deluge Hose Co., " "	285 00
Keene Gas Light Co., gas,	152 75
H. W. Hubbard, repairs,	13 10
G. M. Rossman, repairs and material for fire alarm,	79 45
G. M. Rossman, salary as Superintendent of Fire Alarm,	69 44
Cutler Bros. & Co., vitriol,	32 18
Charles G. Farrar, express, engineer's badge,	2 75
C. H. Mason, care of team, etc., Sundays,	17 00
J. R. Beal & Co., woolen mittens and supplies,	12 90
N. E. Telephone and Telegraph Co., repairs fire alarm,	9 38
Spencer & Co., coal, hose and glass,	43 39
Boston & Lowell Railroad, freight,	1 13

Paid Darling & Kimball, printing notices,	$6 50	
P. Howland, wood, engine house,	26 88	
Knowlton & Stone, shovels, axes and supplies,	54 66	
Cheshire Railroad, rent, freight,	35 61	
E. Gustine & Co., lantern globes, battery jars and casks,	51 70	
Milton Blake, horse hire, postage,	2 50	
G. M. Stevens, fire alarm, zincs, keys,	49 71	
J. W. Buckminster, horse hire,	36 00	
R. Ray, repairs on carriages,	42 15	
Highway Department, work performed by Highway Department,	41 00	
		$2,957 07
Deficit,		$1 38

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Balance appropriation, 1886,	$568 40	
Appropriation, 1887,	2,000 00	
		$2,568 40
Paid J. H. Spofford, salary as Police Officer,	$731 00	
Reuben Ray, " "	115 50	
C. H. Spofford, " "	102 00	
E. R. Locke, " City Marshall,	730 00	
Henry H. Haines, salary as Police Officer,	4 80	
N. E. Telephone and Telegraph Co., for dispatches,	3 85	
A. G. Grimes, hack hire,	16 25	
David Russell, horse hire,	25 75	
Keene Gas Light Co., gas,	49 05	
C. N. Chandler & Co., medicine,	80	
Laton Martin, hack and horse hire,	16 00	
Fisher & Jackson, mats, excelsior, chairs and curtains,	9 00	

Paid Knowlton & Stone, scrub brush, oil, revolvers and cartridges,	$17 37	
George F. Howe, pay as Police Officer,	2 00	
Mrs. J. H. Spofford, washing blankets,	1 42	
John Dunbar, horse hire,	4 50	
Mrs. Mary Ryan, cleaning room,	2 50	
		$1,831 79
Balance carried to new account,		$736 61

WATER WORKS.

Paid John Bowker, rebate,	$ 2 50
Everett Adams, "	1 00
J. H. Wheeler, "	3 20
James O'Rourke, "	4 79
Charles Wright, "	3 46
H. S. Couillard, "	8 75
John E. Heald, "	4 17
R. J. Holt, admr., "	2 82
Geo. B. Rawson, "	2 50
John P. Gay, "	1 25
E. M. Holden, "	1 33
J. H. Wellington, "	3 60
Horace Joslin, "	1 56
W. H. Harper, "	3 00
James Harmon, "	1 25
Lewis Newton, "	2 70
W. P. Carr, "	2 50
R. C. Ross, "	62
Mrs. S. K. Perkins, "	2 25
Mrs. J. B. Lawrence, rebate,	2 50
Lillian E. Cummings, "	2 08
Mrs. J. Proctor, "	2 08
Andrew Clarke, labor,	50
Patrick Dolan, "	1 75

Paid M. Armstrong, arms and tees,	$1	15
Nims, Whitney & Co., boxes and glass,	4	40
Mike Gorman, labor,	1	05
Patrick Dolan, "	1	75
Milton Blake, cash paid express package,		70
Chapman Valve Manufacturing Co., water gate,	9	87
Edward Hays, labor,	1	50
Lewis Newton, "	1	37
W. H. Spalter, envelopes, etc.,	4	20
William Sweeney, labor,		88
Mike Cornell, "	5	25
Mike Gorman, "	1	75
Davis, Wright & Co., supplies,	20	30
Charles Bridgman, kerosene oil,		35
Hayes Manufacturing Co., boxes,	45	82
E. O. Keith, labor and stock,	15	20
Davis & Farnum Manufacturing Co., reducer,	3	71
Chapman Valve Manufacturing Co., gates,	15	13
Conn. River Railroad, freight,	1	38
Charles Bridgman, meal and oil,		30
Darling & Kimball, printing,	6	50
William Perry, labor,		87
Boston, Wilton & Keene Express, express charges,	1	00
J. & F. French, heavy duck,	3	50
Nims, Whitney & Co., hydrant boxes,	23	50
Charles Bridgman, meal and oil,		81
W. H. Spalter, envelopes and paper,	5	22
Davis, Wright & Co., supplies and labor,	19	75
Knowlton & Stone, supplies,	18	61
Kirk & Sewell, supplies and labor,		95
Wm. P. Chamberlain, flannel,	3	97
E. O. Keith, supplies and labor,	4	99
Keene Furniture Co., boxes and lumber,	21	75
J. B. Fisher, rubber boots,	12	00
Moses Ellis, castings,	5	60

Paid R. D. Wood & Co., hydrant,	$30 60	
Keene Highway Department, work performed,	27 50	
John Durant, labor,	3 50	
Patrick Mulvey, labor,	1 75	
R. Biglin, labor,	5 69	
Daniel H. Sawyer, salary as Superintendent,	533 29	
John Humphrey, salary as Water Commissioner,	31 25	
N. G. Gurnsey, salary as Water Commissioner,	25 00	
E. S. Foster, salary as Water Commissioner,	25 00	
David Russell, horse hire,	90 88	
Humphrey Machine Co., labor and supplies,	13 10	
Mike Cornell, labor,	9 63	
T. Katon, "	1 75	
Pat Touhey, "	4 37	
John Tierney, "	3 00	
John Carrigan, "	3 87	
Patrick Connors, "	6 12	
D. Donovan, "	1 75	
O. E. Colony, postmaster, stamps,	19 50	
Knowlton & Stone, hardware supplies,	65 26	
Thomas Grogan, labor,	18 93	
John Driscoll, "	21 43	
Mike Cornell, "	8 40	
William Winn, "	10 51	
Alfred Richardson, "	6 56	
Christopher Patten, "	11 37	
Reuben Ray, tools and repairs,	11 05	
Beaver Mills, pine blocks,	75	
D. C. King, labor,	191 78	
Total amount,		$1,510 83

WATER WORKS EXTENSION.

Balance appropriation, 1886,	$15,026 72	
Appropriation, 1887,	3,900 00	
		$18,926 72
Paid M. Armstrong, lead,	$13 21	
J. D. Dunbar, horse hire,	292 50	
Young Jones, repairs,	10 40	
O. Seward, trucking,	20 30	
A. B. & S. W. Skinner, powder and fuse,	28 54	
Sentinel Printing Co., printing pay rolls, etc.,	2 25	
J. Cushing & Co., feed,	20 44	
Nims, Whitney & Co., lumber,	2 07	
Geo. H. Sampson, powder,	1 50	
Geo. H. Tilden & Co., books,	1 40	
A. H. Grimes,	93	
Frank H. Wright, rubber boots,	7 75	
Kirk & Sewall, lead and supplies,	8 83	
Spencer & Co., coal,	8 92	
S. P. Bowker, use of buggy for Gustine,	3 00	
Leonard Wellington, trustee for Keene Granite Co., granite,	39 95	
N. G. Woodbury, pine trees,	10 00	
Jerry Byron, labor,	3 50	
J. S. Taft & Co., fire clay,	4 30	
Joe Byron, labor,	17 67	
Arthur Lumm, labor,	17 67	
David Cass, labor,	35 35	
Leonard Wellington, trustee for Keene Granite Co., granite,	15 73	
David Cass, stone work,	200 00	
Pay roll, week of December 6,	344 00	
C. Hodgkins, use of ram,	15 00	
Cheshire Railroad, freight,	379 58	
Boston & Lowell Railroad, freight,	24 00	
Edward Gustine, salary for services on Water Commission,	150 00	

Paid E. S. Foster, salary for services on Water Commission,	$57 60
N. G. Gurnsey, salary for services on Water Commission,	300 00
John Humphrey, salary for services on Water Commission,	150 00
C. C. Buffum, recording deeds,	7 97
Pay roll, week of December 13,	138 59
Knowlton & Stone, supplies and cement,	1,018 01
Donaldson Iron Co., pipe,	5,909 88
Pay roll, week of December 20,	85 37
Geo. B. Buffum, deed of land,	25 00
Stoddard Lumber Co., lumber,	108 89
Cunningham Iron Works, pipe,	348 13
John L. Merrill, deed of land,	400 00
Geo. H. Sampson, powder and fuse,	525 24
Laton Martin, horse hire,	43 50
R. D. Wood & Co., pipe,	1,253 26
Edward W. Gustine, board of Brooks Hadley,	4 50
City Hotel, board of Brooks Hadley,	30 71
Mary Raymond, damage to house,	5 00
Elisha O. Woodward, deed of land,	600 00
Sarah A. Nason, deed of land,	100 00
Noah W. Hardy, deed of land,	300 00
Pay roll, week of July 11,	138 49
Pay roll, week of July 16,	133 56
Pay roll, week of July 23,	149 91
Pay roll, week of July 30,	265 09
J. W. Buckminster, use of team,	4 00
Pay roll, week of August 6,	193 44
Pay roll, week of August 13,	215 11
Pay roll, week of August 20,	163 85
Pay roll, week of August 27,	101 55
J. Mark, labor,	3 50
Pay roll, week of September 3,	138 00
Pay roll, week of September 10,	83 01
Pay roll, week of September 17,	106 58

Paid Asa Smith, expense of self and Gustine to Boston,	$10 80	
Pay roll, week of September 24,	391 71	
Pay roll, week of October 1,	200 32	
Pay roll, week of October 8,	87 00	
Humphrey Machine Co., labor and material furnished,	2,156 94	
Pay roll, week of October 15,	63 50	
Pay roll, week of October 29,	98 90	
Pay roll, week of November 5,	148 95	
Pay roll, week of November 12,	124 82	
H. W. Hubbard, labor and material,	302 98	
Beaver Mills, lumber,	1 55	
N. G. Gurnsey, paint and labor,	20 50	
Moses Ellis, castings,	26 72	
		$18,421 22
Amount carried to new account,		$505 50

NEW WATER PIPE EXTENSION.

Appropriation by Joint Resolution, passed July 8, 1887,		$1,650 00
Paid Cheshire Railroad, freight,	$68 24	
Conn. River Railroad, freight,	48 89	
R. D. Wood & Co., iron pipe,	809 10	
O. Seward, trucking,	2 45	
H. H. Barker, drawing sand,	2 70	
Nims, Whitney & Co., hydrant boxes,	7 50	
Davis, Wright & Co., supplies and labor,	2 25	
Knowlton & Stone, supplies,	16 63	
E. O. Keith, supplies and labor,	5 00	
Calvin H. Ellis, lumber,	1 08	
Moses Ellis, castings,	4 90	
J. Higgins, labor,	8 75	

Paid J. Tierney, labor,	$13 11	
J. Sullivan, "	27 12	
J. Driscoll, "	45 94	
W. Perry, "	7 00	
T. Grogan, "	33 68	
Dennis O'Brien, labor,	7 00	
David Russell, horse hire,	19 12	
D. C. King, labor,	43 55	
J. Carrigan, "	15 74	
Andy Clark, "	10 50	
Pat Quinlan, "	10 49	
C. Patten, "	10 50	
P. O'Connor, "	1 75	
Dennis Donovan, labor,	15 74	
Mike Whelton, "	10 50	
W. L. Cheever, "	87	
Chadwick Lead Works, pig lead,	97 75	
Chapman Valve Manufacturing Co., water gates,	67 18	
Davis & Farnum Manufacturing Co., tees,	48 51	
R. D. Wood & Co., hydrants,	153 00	
		$1,616 54
		$33 46
By work performed by Highway and Bridge Department,		8 75
Balance carried to new account,		$24 71

SEWERS.

Paid A. P. French, surveying,	$ 50
Humphrey Machine Co., rubber hose, extension rods,	69 50
F. N. Wood, labor,	1 00
John Durant, "	2 62

Paid D. C. King, labor,	$79 47	
Davis, Wright & Co., supplies,	1 50	
Lewis Newton, labor,	87	
Knowlton & Stone, hardware supplies,	1 33	
Charles Bridgman, kerosene oil,	30	
Knowlton & Stone, hardware supplies,	3 34	
Wm. K. Church, repairs,	2 25	
Daniel H. Sawyer, salary as Superintendent,	266 72	
Mike Cornell, labor,	30 62	
Mike Gorman, "	9 63	
John Driscoll, "	5 25	
Wilkinson & McGregor, hose, washers, etc.,	10 00	
David Russell, horse hire,	19 00	
Total amount,		$503 90

NEW SEWERS.

Appropriation,		$500 00
Paid E. O. Keith, labor,	$12 87	
Spencer & Co., pipe and branches,	23 76	
Samuel Wadsworth, survey,	6 13	
Davis, Wright & Co., supplies and labor,	4 50	
E. O. Keith, " "	3 00	
M. Armstrong, labor,	3 00	
Highway Department, labor,	15 00	
		$68 26
Balance carried to new account,		$431 74

STREET LAMPS.

Balance appropriation, 1886,	$ 63 15	
Appropriation, 1887,	2,100 00	
		$2,163 15

GAS.

Paid Keene Gas Light Co., gas,	$1,349 80	
Edward W. Gustine, lamp lights,	4 25	
Keene Gas Light Co., pipe and bushing,	1 43	
E. O. Keith, moving gas posts,	8 06	
		$1,363 54

GASOLINE.

Paid Globe Gas Light Co., gasoline lights,	$720 78	
Globe Gas Light Co., glass,	15 60	
Boston & Keene Express, charges on glass,	1 10	
Milton Blake, express charges paid on glass,	50	
		$737 98
		$2,101 52
Amount carried forward,		$61 63

ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Amount appropriated, as per Joint Resolutions, passed January 20, and October 20, 1887,		$900 00
1887, July 2, paid Keene Gas Light Co.,	$277 66	
1887, Sept. 3, " " "	70 00	
1887, Oct. 22, " " "	525 00	
1887, Oct. 22, " N. E. Telephone and Telegraph Co., moving poles,	8 50	
		$881 16
Unexpended balance,		$18 84

SCHOOLS.

UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Balance Dec. 1, 1886,	$3,672 92	
Assignment of June, 1887,	10,866 06	
		$14,538 98

1886, Dec. 24, paid H. S. Martin, Treasurer,	$3,672 92	
1887, June 4, " " "	5,000 00	
1887, Aug. 27, " " "	3,000 00	
1887, Nov. 19, " " "	2,866 06	
		$14,538 98

TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Balance Dec. 1, 1886,	$1,004 83	
Assignment of June, 1887,	2,186 60	
Raised by vote of District,	200 00	
		$3,391 43

1887, Jan. 6, paid Joseph Chase, Treasurer,	$1,004 83	
1887, July 2, " " "	500 00	
1887, July 22, " " "	300 00	
1887, Sept. 3, " " "	200 00	
1887, Nov. 12, " " "	1,386 60	
		$3,391 43

Receipt from Literary Fund, as per above assignment,	$812 16	
Receipt from dog tax, as per above assignment,	188 00	
Receipt from Hibbard Fund, a portion of above assignment,	100 00	
		$1,100 16

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Balance appropriation, 1886,	$48 43	
Appropriation, 1887,	500 00	
		$548 43
Paid Cleaves, McDonald & Co., books,	$189 30	
Laughton, McDonald & Co., "	25 85	
Charles F. Gilbert, repairs on books,	18 60	
Estes & Lauriat, books,	108 00	
Scribner & Sons, "	12 00	
H. C. Nash, Manager, books,	14 00	
G. H. Tilden & Co., rebinding books,	14 20	
Publishers' Weekly, subscription to magazine,	5 00	
Interstate Publishing Co., books,	16 57	
James H. Smith, subscription book,	3 75	
Blake & Mason, directory,	1 50	
J. H. Hickcox, congressional catalogue,	5 00	
B. A. Fowler & Co., books,	21 00	
M. A. Hunt, subscription book,	3 00	
		$437 77
Amount carried to new account,		$110 66

PUBLIC LIBRARY EXPENSE.

Balance appropriation, 1886,	$312 94	
Appropriation, 1887,	500 00	
		$812 94
Paid Mrs. Lizzie M. Converse, salary as Librarian,	$300 00	
Miss Anna F. Downer, salary as Assistant Librarian,	42 40	
Keene Gas Light Co., gas,	50 25	
W. H. Spalter, mucilage, pencils, paper and supplies,	7 54	

Paid Fisher & Jackson, two tables,	$8 50	
A. B. & S. W. Skinner, matting,	6 35	
G. H. Tilden & Co., paper, labels, ink-stand,	1 74	
Nims, Whitney & Co., storm door,	49 09	
Jennie A. Brooks, salary as Assistant Librarian,	3 60	
Knowlton & Stone, wire mat,	4 00	
Baker Bros., paper,	9 76	
Mrs. Zeolide B. Stone, salary as Assistant Librarian,	9 40	
L. W. Adams, repairs on room,	1 50	
Wm. P. Chamberlain, cash paid for washing floor,	4 50	
		$498 63
Amount carried to new account,		$314 31

STEAMER HOUSE EXTENSION AND REPAIRS.

Balance appropriation, 1886,	$28 14	
Appropriation by Joint Resolution, July 8, 1887,	700 00	
		$728 14
Paid Stoddard Lumber Co., lumber,	$22 25	
H. W. Hubbard, repairs and stock on boilers in steamer house,	617 54	
E. O. Keith, repairs and stock on boilers in steamer house,	65 72	
Albert E. Fish, screens,	5 00	
		$710 51
Balance carried to new account,		$17 63

FIRE ALARM EXTENSION.

Balance appropriation, 1886,	$6 78	
Appropriation as per Joint Resolution, passed February 17, 1887,	300 00	
		$306 78
Paid George M. Rossman, labor, wire, insulators, etc.,	$40 60	
George M. Stevens, fire boxes,	250 00	
		$290 60
Balance carried to new account,		$16 18

FIRE ALARM BOX 72, WEST KEENE.

Amount appropriated by Joint Resolution, passed March 17, 1887,		$150 00
Paid George M. Stevens, fire alarm box,	$50 00	
George M. Rossman, wire, insulators, cross arms, lag screws and labor,	100 00	
		$150 00

FIRE ALARM EXTENSION: BOXES 14 AND 53.

Amount appropriated by Joint Resolution, passed May 5, 1887,		$135 00
Paid George M. Rossman, poles, wire, insulators, cross arms, lag screws and labor placing box 14,	$70 00	
George M. Rossman, poles, wire, insulators, cross arms, lag screws, and labor placing box 53,	65 00	
		$135 00

CONCRETE WALKS.

Amount appropriated by Joint Resolution, passed May 19, 1887,		$2,000 00
Paid Simpson Bros., for material and labor,		$3,429 71
Deficit,		$1,429 71
Amount due from abuttors,		1,113 06

SIDE WALK AND STREET GRADES.

Balance appropriation, 1886,		$207 41
Paid Samuel Wadsworth, services as Engineer, in establishing grades,	$86 11	
Samuel Wadsworth, photographs, Roxbury St.,	2 50	
		$88 61
Balance carried to new account,		$118 80

NEW DRAIN.

Amount appropriated as per Joint Resolution, passed July 8, 1887,		$2,830 00
Paid John Redding, labor,	$16 50	
John McGregor, labor,	7 00	
James Merrow, labor,	3 00	
C. H. Mason, labor,	8 75	
A. Hubbard, labor,	31 50	
A. Trask, labor,	9 00	
T. A. Hastings, plank,	12 00	
A. Gero, labor,	2 00	
Pat Mulvey, labor,	29 61	
Mike Cornell, labor,	10 11	
James Reason, labor,	32 79	

Paid G. W. Peirce, labor,	$10 50	
W. Reason, labor,	13 50	
John Drury, labor,	39 50	
L. Monehan, labor,	6 00	
William Winn, labor,	21 00	
Mike Gormon, labor,	1 50	
D. Keefe, labor,	26 61	
Pat Dolan, labor,	1 50	
R. Doyle, labor,	3 00	
R. Biglin, labor,	6 00	
Joe Palmer, labor,	23 61	
H. M. Nims, labor,	17 50	
John L. Butler, sand,	11 20	
C. A. Hyland, surveying,	53 50	
Andrew Clark, labor,	10 50	
Tom McNamara, labor,	9 00	
Dennis Donovan, labor,	22 50	
John Carrigan, labor,	20 25	
J. Harmon, labor,	21 75	
D. C. King, labor,	3 50	
Telephon Guannio, labor,	10 50	
James O'Leary, labor,	3 00	
Leander Diest, labor,	15 00	
Billy Pichi, labor,	18 00	
Frank Ittlen, labor,	29 61	
Burt Bailey, labor,	13 50	
—— Gould, labor,	12 75	
Knowlton & Stone, drain pipe and supplies,	2,228 55	
		$2,816 09
Balance carried to new account,		$13 91

ANNUAL INSPECTION OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Amount appropriated as per Joint Resolution, passed September 15, 1887,	$60 00
Paid October 22, 1887, John A. Batchelder,	$60 00

PURCHASE OF HORSES AND HARNESSES.

Paid N. Denio, pair harnesses,	$100 00	
Charles H. & E. Snow, pair horses,	600 00	
Garrett J. Landers, expenses to Boston,	11 00	
Charles H. & E. Snow, freight, blanket and surcingle,	9 80	
Albert W. Green, expense to Boston,	7 90	
		$728 70

Expenditure authorized by City Councils.

REPAIRS ON CITY HALL BUILDING.

Amount appropriated by Joint Resolution, July 8, 1887,		$500 00
Paid Geo. C. Evans, painting scenery,	$136 00	
E. S. Foster, repairs of hall,	27 82	
H. E. Hubbard, repairs of hall,	26 00	
J. C. Joslin, " "	37 57	
Keith & Hulett, paint and stock,	174 33	
Davis, Wright & Co., repairs and supplies,	16 70	
E. O. Keith, expense to Boston and labor,	15 50	
Knowlton & Stone, hardware supplies,	24 43	
W. P. Chamberlain, sheeting and thread,	14 20	
E. O. Keith, repairs on building,	19 98	
		$492 53
Balance carried to new account,		$7 47

CAST IRON WATER PIPE.

Amount appropriated by Joint Resolution, passed February 17, 1887,	$425 00
Paid Donaldson Iron Co., new pipe,	$420 31
Balance carried to new account,	$4 69

NUMBERING OF BUILDINGS.

Amount appropriated as per Joint Resolution, passed March 17, 1887,		$500 00
Paid Oct. 29, 1887, W. W. Wilcox,	$184 25	
Nov. 19, " " "	4 13	
Nov. 19, " Samuel Wadsworth, salary as Engineer and drawing plans and putting on numbers,	222 34	
		$410 72
Unexpended balance,		$89 28

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

Appropriation,	$150 00
Paid John W. Sturtevant, for John Sedgwick Post,	$150 00

HINSDALE PAUPER.

Paid support of Mrs. Knapp and family,	$166 42
Received from Hinsdale during year,	242 04

WINCHESTER PAUPER.

Paid support of George Debell and family,	$10 67
Received from Winchester during year,	53 32

HIBBARD FUND.

Paid N. G. Gurnsey, care Salma Hale lot,	$10 00

MINISTERIAL FUND.

Amount of fund for 1887, divided as per order passed January 6, 1887,		$181 79
Paid S. C. Keeler,	$25 97	
Geo. W. Gallagher,	25 97	
G. H. DeBevoise,	25 97	
John R. Power,	25 97	
W. H. Eaton,	25 97	
L. B. Baldwin,	25 97	
Chas. E. Harrington,	25 97	
		$181 79

SIMMONS AND EASTBURN FUNDS.

Amount of fund for 1887, divided as per order passed January 20, 1887,		$69 08
Paid Julia A. Metcalf,	$8 63	
Kesiah Billings,	8 63	
Charlotte Heustis,	8 63	
Ann Cummings,	8 63	
Mrs. S. W. Raymond,	8 63	
Silvia Snow,	8 63	
Jane Tufts,	8 63	
Silvia Russell,	8 63	
		$69 04
Unexpended balance,		04

COUNTY TAX.

Amount called for in warrant,		$12,281 50
Paid Jerome E. Wright, Treasurer, September 10,	$6,000 00	
Jerome E. Wright, Treasurer, December 2,	6,281 50	
		$12,281 50

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Interest on Sewer Loan, appropriated,	$2,800 00	
Interest on Manchester & Keene R R. Gratuity Bonds, appropriated,	6,400 00	
Interest on New Water Bonds,	1,295 00	
Total Interest account for 1887,		$10,495 00
Paid Henry S. Martin, Treasurer, May 28, 6 months' interest,	$5,247 50	
Henry S. Martin, Treasurer, December 2, 6 months' interest,	5,247 50	
		$10,495 00

MINISTERIAL FUND.

Paid deposited in Keene Five Cents Savings Bank,	$321 66

RECAPITULATION.

RECEIPTS.

Assessments, concrete walks, 1886,	$655 95
" " " 1887,	586 81
S. O. Gates, Collector Water rates,	11,170 00
L. P. Alden, " Taxes, 1884,	146 03
S. O. Gates, " " 1885,	429 09
S. O. Gates, " " 1886,	18,700 00
S. O. Gates, " " 1887,	50,500 00
M. Blake, reimbursement Ellis Bros.,	12 00
M. Blake, " W. H. Cross,	30 00
M. Blake, " M. Armstrong,	2 23
M. Blake, use reservoir, 1886, 1887,	240 00
M. Blake, road scraper sold,	12 00
M. Blake, rent City Hall stores,	1,316 60
M. Blake, licenses,	217 50
E. O. Keith, rent City Hall,	1,206 50
Water Loan Bonds sold,	37,000 00
Public Library, fines, etc.,	72 50
E. A. Nims, rent city pasture and materials sold,	117 20
P. Howland, Overseer Poor,	5,188 37
Keene Five Cents Savings Bank, interest Ministerial fund, 1886,	181 79
Town of Marlborough, appraisal school house,	22 95
J. T. Abbott, account Doolittle suits,	158 78
E. Farrar, police court fines,	517 00
Butler, Hayward and Gates, land damage,	50 00
D. H. Sawyer, sewer department,	225 00
D. H. Sawyer, water works department,	180 22
A. H. Grimes, liquor agent,	170 59
Geo. H. Nims, balance note on Ministerial lot,	321 66
Hibbard fund income,	100 00
Dog Tax,	193 00
Insurance Tax, 1887,	378 00
Railroad Tax, 1887,	6,283 56

Savings Bank Tax, 1887,	$18,142 96	
Literary fund, 1887,	965 70	
Citizens National Bank, interest,	201 20	
		$155,695 19
Balance in Treasury December 11, 1886,		2,382 25
		$158,077 44

EXPENDITURES.

Orders outstanding December 11, 1886,	$ 137 40
Ordinary city charges,	7,230 64
City paupers,	4,837 44
County paupers,	4,176 37
Highways and bridges,	11,180 05
Fire department,	2,957 07
Police department,	1,831 79
Water works,	1,510 83
Water works extension,	18,421 22
New water pipe extension,	1,616 54
Sewers,	503 90
New sewers,	68 26
Street lights, gas and gasoline,	2,101 52
Electric lights,	881 16
Schools,	17,930 41
Public Library,	437 77
Public Library expense,	498 63
Steamer house extension and repairs,	710 51
Fire alarm extension,	290 60
Fire alarm box 72,	150 00
Fire alarm boxes 14 and 53,	135 00
Concrete walks,	3,429 71
Side walks and street grades,	88 61
New drain,	2,816 09
Annual inspection fire department,	60 00
Horses and harnesses,	728 70
Repair on city hall building,	492 53
Cast iron water pipe,	420 31

Numbering of buildings,	$410 72	
Memorial service,	150 00	
Hinsdale pauper,	166 42	
Winchester pauper,	10 67	
Hibbard fund,	10 00	
Ministerial fund,	181 79	
Simmons and Eastburn funds,	69 04	
County tax,	12,281 50	
Interest on sewer, railroad and water bonds,	10,495 00	
Keene Five Cents Savings Bank, ministerial fund,	321 66	
Keene Guaranty Savings Bank, Simmons and Eastburn funds,	1,300 00	
Water bonds due January 1, 1887,	4,000 00	
Water bonds due July 1, 1887,	7,500 00	
Interest on old water bonds,	5,927 00	
State tax,	13,660 00	
Citizens National Bank, interest,	149 86	
		$142,276 72
Less outstanding orders,		229 11
		$142,047 61
Balance in treasury, December 12, 1887,		16,029 83
		$158,077 44

INDEBTEDNESS.

OLD WATER BONDS.

Due.	Rate of interest.	Amount due.	
1888, July 1,	6 per cent.	$500	
1889, January 1,	"	21,700	
1890, July 1,	"	11,300	
1892, January 1,	"	4,000	
1892, July 1,	"	9,000	
1893, July 1,	"	5,500	
1896, October 1,	"	10,000	
1899, January 1,	5 per cent.	35,000	
			$97,000

RAILROAD GRATUITY BONDS.

1894, July 1,	4 per cent.	$15,000	
1895, "	"	15,000	
1896, "	"	15,000	
1897, "	"	15,000	
1898, "	"	15,000	
1899, "	"	15,000	
1900, "	"	15,060	
1901, "	"	15,000	
1902, "	"	15,000	
1903, "	"	15,000	
1904, "	"	10,000	
			$160,000

SEWERAGE BONDS.

1905, July 1,	4 per cent.	$15,000	
1906, "	"	15,000	
1907, "	"	15,000	
1908, "	"	15,000	
1909, "	"	10,000	
			$70,000

NEW WATER BONDS.

1910, January 1,	3½ per cent.	$7,000	
1911, " "	"	10,000	
1912, " "	"	10,000	
1913, " "	"	10,000	
			$37,000
Total bonded city debt,			$364,000

ASSETS DEC. 12, 1887.

Due from Collector of Taxes, 1884,	$140 67
" " " 1885,	1,270 14
" " " 1886,	46 38
" " " 1887,	20,394 98
Due from water rates,	3,295 89
Water Loan Sinking Fund deposited in Cheshire Provident Institution. Interest since Oct. 1, to be added,	20,187 40
Water Loan Sinking Fund deposited in Keene Five Cents Savings Bank. Interest since July 1, to be added,	16,157 39
Balance in treasury, Dec. 12, 1887,	16,029 83
	$77,522 68

TRUST FUNDS.

IN CARE OF CITY TREASURER.

HIBBARD LEGACY, $1,000.—Invested in two $500 6 per cent. Iowa Loan and Trust Co. debentures. Income used in taking care of Salma Hale lot in cemetery, balance for schools.

CHARLES FAULKNER LEGACY, $2,500.—Invested in one $1,000 Keene water bond, two $500 Keene water bonds, one $500 town of Hinsdale bond. Income used in improving and ornamenting Woodland cemetery.

SIMMONS AND EASTBURN FUNDS, $1,300.—Deposited in Keene Guaranty Savings Bank. Given by David Simmons and Susan Eastburn. Interest for the relief and comfort of aged and infirm poor of Keene.

MINISTERIAL FUND, $4,155.—Deposited in Keene Five Cents Savings Bank. Derived from sale of wood on "ministerial lot." Interest divided annually among the clergymen of Keene.

PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE CITY.

City water works,	$150,000 00
New water works,	40,000 00
City hall building,	35,500 00
Furniture in same,	1,000 00
Fire department,	12,000 00
Land and buildings, Vernon street,	7,500 00
City pasture,	2,000 00
Water works stock and tools,	1,352 00
Highway tools and horses,	2,500 00
City Marshal's office,	200 00
	$252,052 00

We have examined the City Treasurer's and City Clerk's books, and find that all the payments therein recorded are correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ASA SMITH,
FRANCIS C. FAULKNER,
GEORGE E. WHITNEY,
Committee on Finance.

December 22, 1887.

ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR 1888.

To the City Councils of the City of Keene:

The Finance Committee present the following estimates of the amount of money necessary to be raised the ensuing year, and respectfully recommend that $32,000 of the amount be raised by taxation and the balance be paid from the balance now in the treasury:

Ordinary city charges,	$7,000 00	
City paupers,	3,500 00	
Highways and bridges,	8,000 00	
Concrete side walks,	2,000 00	
Fire department,	2,500 00	
Police,	2,000 00	
Electric lights,	2,700 00	
Gas and gasoline lights,	1,300 00	
Public library,	500 00	
Support of public library,	500 00	
Memorial services,	150 00	
Interest on M. & K. R. R. gratuity bonds,	6,400 00	
Interest on sewer loan,	2,800 00	
Interest on new water loan bonds,	1,295 00	
Payment of water bonds,	500 00	
Sinking fund,	10,000 00	
		$51,095 00

1887.

Valuation of the city,	$5,950,822 00
Tax assessed for the year,	70,894 98
Rate of taxation $1.15 per $100.	

POLLS, VALUATION AND TAXES ASSESSED FROM 1874 TO 1887 INCLUSIVE.

Year.	No. Polls.	Valuation.	Taxes.
1874,	1919	$4,298,386 00	$61,065 27
1875,	1789	4,676,117 00	67,354 78
1876,	1813	5,737,350 00	72,341 30
1877,	1842	4,852,664 00	75,961 25
1878,	1815	5,366,918 00	75,639 77
1879,	1717	5,981,876 00	62,521 84
1880,	1802	5,757,752 00	60,758 19
1881,	1842	5,671,628 00	70,601 40
1882,	1900	5,849,418 00	67,430 85
1883,	1908	5,936,182 00	73,909 11
1884,	1795	5,922,043 00	72,281 96
1885,	1869	5,849,292 00	72,910 08
1886,	1845	5,938,529 00	77,764 66
1887,	1961	5,950,822 00	70,894 98

HIGHWAYS.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

To His Honor the Mayor and City Councils:

I herewith submit the following report as Superintendent of Highways in the city of Keene, for the year ending December 1, 1887.

It has been a more difficult and expensive matter to keep the roads in good condition, owing to the large amount of snow and rain we have had the past year. The expense of keeping the snow cleared from sidewalks and streets has been double what it was the two previous years. The hill roads in various parts of the city have been so washed by the heavy rains, as to cause an unusual outlay, especially Beech Hill. The bridge on the branch near Ellis mill, which was washed away, has been rebuilt and the same to the one near South Keene.

There has been 925 loads of gravel taken from the city pasture and put upon the streets. There has been two new streets built. There has been the grading of 5,081.04 yards of walk for concrete at a cost of $762.16.

There was also $1,600 of this year's appropriation paid to Simpson Bros. for concrete walks laid in 1886.

The following is a list of property in my possession belonging to the city:

3 pairs horses,	$1,500 00
7 harnesses,	250 00
8 blankets,	20 00

2 carts,	$150 00
1 sled,	35 00
1 large roller,	300 00
1 small roller,	15 00
1 Champion road scraper,	140 00
1 small scraper,	6 00
1 Benefactor scraper,	20 00
2 plows,	5 00
5 snow plows,	60 00
8 shovels,	4 00
8 picks,	6 00
6 iron bars,	8 00
6 large and 2 small hammers,	6 00
Stone tools,	7 00
4 saws,	4 00
3 wheelbarrows,	6 00
3 chains,	5 00
A set of fall blocks,	7 00
175 feet of draining tile,	80 00
Lot of miscellaneous tools,	14 00
	$2,648 00

For expenses see finance report. I have deposited $24.20 with City Treasurer for work done and material sold.

CITY PASTURE.

Received for the use of city pasture, $92.00, which I deposited with City Treasurer. There is $36.00 uncollected.

The fences have been repaired with material on hand at the expense of the highway fund.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. NIMS,
Superintendent of Highways.

WATER WORKS AND SEWERS.

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS.

To the City Councils:

In compliance with the city ordinances we herewith transmit the annual report of the Superintendent of the Keene Water Works for the year ending December 1, 1887, which gives a detailed account of the transactions of that office, and with the returns of the Collector we find the financial account for the year as follows, viz:

Assessments and arrearages as given to Collector,		$16,684 61
Amount collected,	$12,524 71	
Advance payment discounts,	2,840 42	
Abated as erroneous or uncollectable,	178 30	
Balance uncollected,	1,141 18	
		$16,684 61

The earnings for the year may be computed as follows:

Assessments Nos. 35 and 36,	$15,794 87	
Ice from reservoir,	120 00	
Receipts from tappings, etc.,	81 62	
		$15,996 49

Less advance discounts,	$2,840 42	
refunded from treasury,	59 91	
other abatements,	178 30	
		$3,078 63
Making gross earnings,		$12,917 86

Being $368.34 more than in 1886.

The running expenses as per Superintendent's report are:

For management and repairs,	$1,492 81
Leaving as net earnings for the year,	$11,425 05

Or $28.34 less than last year, the repair account having been somewhat increased by the large number of leaks and changes in pipe on Emerald and Roxbury streets.

A large proportion of the abatements other than by "orders on the city," have been in cases of erroneous assessment or non-use where payments could not be compelled for the application of the refunding system—which in its practical working has little apparent utility beyond the pleasure it may afford those having claims to adjust in that way, and to the city officials engaged in the transaction—and as it tends to complicate accounts and increase the liability of errors, it may well be discarded whenever those interested have had enough of it; and some other changes might perhaps be advantageously made.

The construction account as given by the Superintendent does not include any expenditures of the Echo lake extension, which has not been under the supervision of the Water Board.

The report of the sewer department as given by the Superintendent is complete and needs no comment.

The matter of increased pipe capacity from the new reservoir to the city, as called for by a petition signed by many large tax-payers one year ago, should not be neglected, as, with present conditions, only about one-half the advantage of the new supply will be had in case of fire, while the daily service to patrons who desire the Roaring Brook water is impaired, particularly in the northerly part of the city. Another urgent reason for prompt action is likewise found in the many recent bursts of the rust-worn

and weakened pipes, upon which we are now dependent. These have of late become alarmingly frequent, and with the liability of occurrence at times when a failure might prove very disadvantageous, if not positively disastrous, delay in this matter seems not only unwise but extremely hazardous.

The ordinary business of the year, although subject to some peculiar conditions, has gone very well; the work undertaken has been well done, and the condition of the works is as good as should be expected with attendant circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN HUMPHREY,
E. S. FOSTER,
N. G. GURNSEY,
Commissioners Keene Water Works.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Water Commissioners:

GENTLEMEN: I herewith submit the eighteenth annual report of the Water Works, with the fourth annual report of the Sewer Department, for the year ending December 1, 1887.

WATER WORKS.

SERVICE PIPES.

Reported December 1, 1886,	1,135
Addition in 1887,	52
Whole number December 1, 1887,	1,187

ASSESSMENTS.

Thirty-fifth assessment December 1, 1886,	$7,410 32	
Thirty-sixth assessment June 1, 1887,	8,384 55	
Amount of assessment for 1887,		$15,794 37
Amount uncollected as per report Dec. 1, 1886,		889 74
Total assessment delivered to Collector,		$16,684 61

Of this amount the following sum has been abated and refunded by orders on Treasury:

On 33d assessment,	$5 32	
" 34th "	32 55	
" 35th "	16 63	
" 36th "	5 41	
Amount,		$59 91

CASH ACCOUNT.

Received of E. O. Keith, balance on tapping account,	$32 48	
Received of E. O. Keith, for twenty-five stop boxes, one wrench,	33 50	
Received of Davis, Wright & Co., balance on tapping account,	12 00	
Received of Davis, Wright & Co., eleven stop boxes,	14 80	
Received of M. Armstrong, balance on tapping account,	18 00	
Received of M. Armstrong, nine stop boxes,	11 94	
Received of Kirk & Sewall, balance on tapping account,	2 25	
Received of Kirk & Sewall, one stop box,	1 26	
Received of Dunn & Salisbury, for stock and labor in making 4-inch connection,	20 56	
Received of Cheshire Railroad Co., stock and labor in making 6-inch connection,	22 08	
Received of Cheshire Railroad Co., for 24 feet of 4-inch cast iron pipe,	9 60	
Received of Cheshire Railroad Co., stock on repairs,	1 75	
Total receipts,		$180 22
Deposited with City Treasurer,		$180 22

CURRENT EXPENSES.

John Humphrey, salary as Commissioner,	$31 25	
N. G. Gurnsey, " "	25 00	
E. S. Foster, " "	25 00	
D. H. Sawyer " Superintendent,	33 29	
W. H. Spalter, envelopes and stationery,	9 42	
Darling & Kimball, printing assessment statements,	6 50	
O. E. Colony, postage stamps,	19 50	
		$649 96

ON REPAIRS.

Amount of bills for labor and materials on repairs,	$689 26	
Used from stock,	153 59	
		$842 85
Total amount of current expenses and repairs,		$1,492 81

This includes the expense of replacing 212 feet of old 6-inch cement pipe with 6-inch cast iron pipe and resetting two hydrants.

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

EMERALD STREET EXTENSION.

528 feet of 4-inch cast iron pipe, 286 " 6-inch " " Two post hydrants, Two 6-inch gates,	$633 68

APPIAN WAY EXTENSION.

1123 feet of 4-inch cast iron pipe, 113 " 2-inch wrought iron pipe to connect with Madison Court, Two post hydrants, One 4-inch gate, One 2-inch gate, One 6-inch gate, Main street,	720 00

BUTLER COURT EXTENSION.

601 feet of 4-inch cast iron pipe, Ten feet of 2-inch wrought iron pipe, One post hydrant, One 4-inch gate, One 2-inch gate,	369 17	
New post hydrant Court street,	58 73	
Total expenditure in 1887,		$1,781 58
Amount as per account, 1886,		168,920 33
Making construction account Dec. 1, 1887,		$170,701 91

STOCK ACCOUNT.

Paid Jarecki Manufacturing Co., for 36 stop boxes,	$46 80	
Jarecki Manufacturing Co., for one stop box wrench,	40	
Donaldson Iron Co., cast iron pipe,	420 31	
Davis & Farnum Manufacturing Co., cast iron reducer,	3 71	
Chapman Valve Co., one 4-inch gate,	9 87	
Knowlton & Stone, cord and rubber cloth,	23 72	
Highway department, trucking pipe,	3 50	
Value of stock reported Dec. 1, 1886,	1,167 76	
Value of tools, etc., Dec., 1886,	109 25	
		$1,785 32
Received of E. O. Keith, for 25 stop boxes and one wrench,	$33 50	
" Davis, Wright & Co., 11 stop boxes,	14 80	
" M. Armstrong, 9 stop boxes,	11 94	
" Kirk & Sewall, one stop box,	1 26	
" Cheshire Railroad, stock on connection and repairs,	24 40	
" Dunn & Salisbury, stock on connection,	12 70	
Used from stock on extension,	180 66	
Used from stock on repairs and depreciation on tools, etc.,	153 59	
		$432 85

ON HAND.

84 feet of 12-inch cast iron pipe,	$134 63
96 " 10 " " "	119 21
258 " 6 " " "	154 80
992 " 4 " " "	360 00

276 feet of 8-inch cast iron pipe,		
1 8 " " " increaser,		
2 8x6 " " " tees,		$209 76
3 8x4 " " " "		
2 8 " " " sleeves,		
18 feet of 8 " wrought pipe,		
26 " 4 " " "	18 00	
22 " 3 " " "	6 50	
695 " 2 " " "	97 30	
1 6 " cast iron sleeve,	2 76	
2 4x4 " " tees,	8 64	
1 4-inch gate,	9 87	
1 4-inch hydrant,	20 00	
2 2-inch hydrant valves,	5 00	
5 2-inch connection valves,	40 00	
7 ¾-inch stop cocks,	3 00	
4 hydrant screws,	20 00	
6 No. 2 extension stop boxes,	7 50	
1 brass wire screen,	7 50	
Lot of old cement pipe,	6 00	
Lot of hemp cord,	2 00	
		$1,232 47

TOOLS, ETC.

Office furniture, 2 water gauges,	$40 00
2 pumps,	3 00
2 pairs of tongs, 1 pair of snips,	8 00
15 shovels, 10 picks,	12 50
2 bush hooks,	2 00
3 hammers, 3 pipe wrenches,	6 50
1 bog hoe, 1 sledge hammer,	2 00
1 steel bar,	1 00
5 lanterns, 5 pails,	4 00
1 jackscrew, 2 axes,	4 00
1 furnace, 1 kettle,	2 50
1 wheelbarrow,	5 50
4 tamping irons, 3 chisels,	4 00

3 pairs of rubber boots, 1 pair rubber mittens,	$8 00	
Lot of gate wrenches,	10 00	
Lot of miscellaneous articles,	7 00	
		$120 00
		$1,785 32

SEWER DEPARTMENT.

Number of connections Dec. 1, 1886,	344
Number of connections added in 1887,	46
Total Dec. 1, 1887,	390

RECEIPTS.

Received for permits,	$225 00
Deposited with City Treasurer,	225 00

Due from Levi Britton, $5.00.

EXPENDITURES.

Salary of Superintendent,	$266 72	
Materials and labor on repairs,	237 18	
		$503 90

$69.50 was paid for hose and rods for clearing sewers, which we have on hand.

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

Paid E. O. Keith for putting into mains 2 Ys,	$3 00	
Davis, Wright & Co., " " 3 Ys,	4 50	
M. Armstrong, " " 2 Ys,	3 00	
Total in 1887,		$10 50
Amount reported Dec. 1, 1886,		80,514 05
Total construction account Dec. 1, 1887,		$80,524 55

The connecting of Echo lake water supply with our works has given a very much better supply for our hydrants and mechanical

works, as the average pressure has been increased about ten pounds to the square inch. But the most serious trouble now is that the old pipes have become so weakened by rust that we have had during the past season an unusual number of leaks, making it apparent that the old cement pipes will have to be replaced before many years with cast iron. It is therefore very important that a plan should be made and adopted that will meet the future demand, so that when it becomes necessary to replace or make any change, it may be done in accordance with such a plan. We have taken up this season, on Emerald and Roxbury streets, 212 feet of old 6-inch cement pipe and replaced it with 6-inch cast iron pipe. The change made it necessary to reset two hydrants. This improvement has made the repair account considerable more than it otherwise would have been; but think it is but the beginning of what will have to be done in the near future.

Sylvan lake has been full, or nearly so, since spring; the water has only fallen seven inches below the overflow this summer. The quality has been excellent, with the exception of a few days in May. That trouble was not the fault of the water in the lake as was supposed. The true explanation of the cause is that after we had commenced flushing the main pipe, and the water was thoroughly roiled, two of the blow-off gates were found to be out of repair, which caused a delay of about a week, but as soon as the flushing was completed the water was restored to the same quality as before. We have mended during the past year thirty-two leaks on the cement pipes. With this tendency of the pipes to burst, I cannot report the works in very good working condition at the present time.

SEWERS.

As was reported last year, the large sewer mains and flush tanks have continued to work very satisfactorily; but several of the 6-inch lines have been obstructed by sand and roots getting into the pipes through faulty joints. The stoppages have occurred on Dunbar, Elliot, Church, East Main and Roxbury streets. The obstructions were removed from all of the lines but Roxbury street by flushing, without taking up but little pipe; but the pipe on Roxbury street was so filled with elm roots at the east end of

the street that we were obliged to take up and relay about 60 feet. We also cleared as best we could 90 feet more with grappling irons, which will have to be relaid very soon. There are several lines that have shown symptoms of this same trouble. At the present time all of the works appear in fine condition.

D. H. SAWYER,
Superintendent.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER.

To His Honor the Mayor and City Councils:

Gentlemen,—In compliance with the ordinances of the city I herewith submit the annual report of the Keene Fire Department for the year 1887; also an inventory of the property of the department and a statement of alarms, fires, losses, etc.

There have been nine box alarms during the year, viz: four from box 32, and one each from boxes 16, 33, 9 and 53; also one caused by the breaking of one of the battery jars. The aggregate loss at the fires to which the department has been called is $2,675.00, on which insurance has been allowed to the amount of $1,750.00 making the net loss over insurance allowed $925.00.

LIST OF FIRES AND ALARMS.

February 1, 7.19 p. m., box 32, Woodbury's mills, Spruce street. Loss $50.00; insured.

February 9, 3.45 p. m., box 32, house on Cottage street, owned by F. A. Perry, occupied by Fred Perry. Loss $700.00; insurance, $500.00.

February 9, 7.49 p. m., box 32, Woodbury's dry house on Spruce street. Loss $1000.00, insurance $700.00.

February 11, 11.48 p. m., box 16, chimney burnt out on Water street. No loss.

May 21, 11.50 a. m., box 33, house North end of Washington street, owned by N. G. Woodbury. Loss $100.00; no insurance.

July 4, 10 a. m., box 32, house on Prospect street, owned by N. G. Woodbury. Loss $100.00; no insurance.

August 21, 10 a. m., box 9, Gerould's block, in room occupied by Mrs. E. H. White. Loss $25.00; no insurance.

August 21, 12.09 p. m., box 53, house on Winchester street owned by Joseph Carpenter. Loss $700.00; insurance $500.00.

October 27, 8.20 p. m., general alarm, caused by breaking of a battery jar.

MEMBERSHIP.

The fire department consists of six engineers and four companies of firemen, Steamer and Hose, Washington Hook and Ladder, Deluge and Phœnix Hose companies, each company containing twenty men.

HOUSES.

The Steamer house has been supplied with a larger heater, and is now in good condition. The Deluge house has been repaired and painted, and a coal stove for drying hose, etc., has been put in. These improvements were much needed. The houses of the Phœnix and Hook and Ladder remain as last year. The city can hardly afford to let another year pass without providing better quarters for these companies.

APPARATUS.

There have been no changes since last year. I would recommend that the steamer hose carriage be sold. A sled of some kind should be provided at once for the Hook and Ladder, as it is very difficult to draw the truck through deep snow.

HOSE.

We have in the department 3,550 feet of cotton fabric hose in good condition, 100 feet of rubber hose, 1,700 feet of leather hose in fair condition, and about 500 feet of condemned leather hose.

HORSES.

The city now owns six horses, having purchased two during the present year. This is sufficient to take all the apparatus to a fire. Heretofore we have been obliged to depend upon the livery stables for horses, which often caused much delay.

HYDRANTS.

We now have 138 hydrants. Six were put in this year, but none near the park. One should be put in as recommended last year.

SUPPLIES.

The Committee on Fire Department has purchased 600 feet of rubber lined cotton fabric hose, seven ladders from 16 to 22 feet long, and two plaster hooks.

UNIFORMS.

The Hook and Ladder Co. has recently bought new uniforms. All others remain as last year.

FIRE ALARM.

Our electric fire alarm has proved a success. Six new boxes have been added this year.

CONDITION OF THE DEPARTMENT.

The department is in good working order and always responds promptly and cheerfully to all calls to duty. Just now there is a little trouble in the Phœnix, caused by some disturbing element in the company. Two men have been discharged and no doubt the usual good order will soon be restored. The discipline of the department is good.

EXPENSES.

See Finance Committee's report for details of expenses.

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY.

Steamer,	$4,300 00
Hand engine at Woodbury's mills,	500 00
Hand engine at South Keene,	500 00
Deluge hose carriage,	800 00
Phœnix hose carriage,	650 00
3 jumpers,	175 00
2 hook and ladder trucks, etc.,	1,200 00
Steamer hose carriage,	350 00
3 hose sleighs,	75 00
Cotton hose,	2,730 00
Leather hose,	700 00
Fire alarms,	1,250 00
Engineers' lanterns,	25 00
6 hydrant gates,	45 00
One Y coupling,	65 00
15 rubber coats,	20 00
Uniforms of Steamer Co.,	250 00
Uniforms of Phœnix Hose Co.,	200 00
Uniforms of Washington Hook and Ladder Co.,	125 00
	$13,960 00

FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH.

Location of boxes and instructions to firemen and officers.

LOCATION OF BOXES.

Box 6, Central telephone office.
Box 9, Central Square, on city hall.
Box 13, Beaver Mills.
Box 14, Water street, corner Grove street.
Box 16, Main street, corner Marlboro' street.
Box 23, Roxbury street, corner Beech street.
Box 32, Elm street, corner High street.
Box 33, Washington street, corner Gilsum street.

Box 37, Mechanic street, corner Pleasant street.
Box 42, West street, corner School street.
Box 46, Court street, corner School street.
Box 52, Cheshire Railroad repair shops.
Box 53, Ralston street, corner Davis street.
Box 72, West Keene.

Each box when pulled strikes its number on all the bells in the circuit and repeats four rounds if properly pulled in. Whenever a box alarm is sounded, firemen will proceed *directly to the box pulled in*, unless sooner ascertaining the exact location of the fire.

SIGNALS.

The following signals were adopted by the Board of Engineers December 2, 1887.

1. The Superintendent has the right to strike one blow upon the bells at any time, to test the circuits; also to ring in *one round* from any box, preceded by a single blow, exactly five minutes after the noon stroke, on Saturdays, for the purpose of testing the boxes..

2. The signal 22 repeated on the bells is to call the firemen to their houses for further orders.

3. Two blows struck upon the bells after a fire alarm is a signal to "limber up," and recalls all firemen and apparatus to the engine houses unless specially detailed for duty.

4. In case of a serious fire the Engineers may cause a second alarm to be sounded from the nearest box. A second alarm is given by striking ten blows, followed by the box number.

5. As box 9, which is located on city hall, is still likely to be used for a general alarm, and to be pulled for a fire which is *not* in or near the Square, the Engineers will ring in a second alarm of four full rounds from this box, if there is a fire of any magnitude near the Square.

6. The old alarm on city hall will only be rung between 9 p. m. and 6 a. m. except in case of serious fire.

7. Arrangements have been made with the Beaver Mills Co., and alarms of fire will be given on their whistle same as by the bells.

GENERAL RULES.

Firemen, as well as citizens, should familiarize themselves with the following rules for giving alarms of fire:

1. Never pull a box for a fire seen at a distance.

2. Never pull a box while the alarm bells are ringing, nor until a box has completed its four (4) rounds. Two boxes cannot operate together and neither will work if two are pulled at the same time. Never pull two alarms or two boxes for the same fire. The Engineers will sound second alarms if necessary.

3. To ring in an alarm, break the glass in the key box and open the outside box door with the key. Pull down the brass crank or hook, seen inside, three or four inches, *till it stops*, then let go. Then let the box alone. The clock work will be seen or heard to be running, and the alarm will follow in half a minute or so. Close the box and remove the key.

4. Remember that the firemen will come directly to the box which has been pulled. See that they are directed to the fire, if necessary.

TELEPHONE ALARMS.

Box 6, which is located in the central telephone office, is the box which will be pulled to sound all alarms of fire sent in by telephone. When this box is pulled, firemen and others can ascertain the location of the fire from the telephone office.

Do not send a telephone alarm if there is an alarm box within reasonable distance. Box alarms are always the surest and best. Telephones can seldom be used during thunder showers; the boxes can always be used.

To send in a telephone alarm, call the central office. Tell the operator slowly first the ward, then the street and house where the fire is situated. The operator will repeat, "Fire, Ward so and so, such street or house." Answer, "All right," if you are correctly understood. If the fire is in South Keene or West Keene, give that fact instead of the ward number. The operator will then leave the telephone and sound the alarm.

CONCLUSION.

I desire to extend my thanks to the Mayor and City Councils

for their kindness. I wish also to thank the Assistant Engineers for the aid and council they have given me. The officers and members of the companies deserve commendation for their ready response to all calls to duty, prompt attention to orders and gentlemanly conduct.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. BATCHELDER,

Chief Engineer.

Keene, Dec. 15, 1887.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen:

The Trustees of the Public Library submit the following report:

Dr.

To balance of unexpended appropriations,	$48 43	
appropriations for 1887,	500 00	
received of Librarian for catalogues,	10 65	
received of Librarian for fines,	61 85	
Total,		$620 93

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By amount expended for books,	$405 77	
binding and repairing,	32 80	
cash paid City Treasurer for catalogues and fines,	72 50	
unexpended balance Dec. 1, 1887,	110 66	
Total,		$620 93

Number of new books purchased,	205
" gifts, 9 volumes, valued at,	$1,000
" books lost,	1
" books discarded,	21
" volumes in library Dec. 1, 1887,	6,360
" volumes issued from Dec. 1, 1886, to Dec. 1, 1887,	21,929
" cards issued,	251

Number of books covered,	4,425
Largest number taken in one day, Jan. 22 and April 16,	215

In presenting these statistics it should be noted that one bill for repairs of about $50.00, and another for books of upwards of $90.00, are not included in the expenditures, as they were not settled Dec. 1, the end of the fiscal year.

Four new book cases have been added to the alcoves of the library, and a table and case combined, made especially for the valuable gifts of Miss E. J. Faulkner; and the public are now invited to come in and enjoy the rare treat of looking over the beautiful plates in these costly volumes, not often found in a private library.

The Trustees have been gratified by the increased use of the library in its various departments, especially in that of the reference books and maps. This department is by no means complete, as these books are expensive, and the appropriation at present warrants the purchase of only a few yearly. The Librarian will gladly assist any who wish to make the best use of the library in any way.

The Book Committee find it no easy task to select the best, when of the "making of books there is no end," and latest issues of fiction are loudly called for and read most rapidly.

Many new library buildings have been erected in New England during the past two years, and it would well repay anyone who has leisure to visit those in Hanover, Fitchburg and Northampton. The latter is indeed a model—"a thing of beauty" to be "a joy forever." The selection of private libraries in the Essex Institute, at Salem, is well worth a visit to that city. These libraries belonged to highly cultivated people, and many of the volumes cannot be duplicated.

One word more to the good readers of Keene who never enter the library rooms: Just go in occasionally and see the nucleus around which you can gather much that is valuable and helpful, not only to the present, but to future generations, who will "rise up and call you blessed."

The valuable contributions, before alluded to, by one of our

ladies, "to do the greatest good to the greatest number," are worth a visit to our library, and she deserves the hearty thanks of our citizens. Would there were more to "go and do likewise."

MRS. M. R. OSBORNE.
W. P. CHAMBERLAIN.
CHARLES H. HERSEY.
KATE L. TILDEN.
E. J. C. GILBERT.
D. W. GILBERT.

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK.

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen:

I herewith submit the following report of my receipts to date:

1886.		
Dec. 18.	Geo. E. Whitney, reimbursement of bill paid Ellis Bros.,	$12 00
Dec. 20.	Use of reservoir from O. D. Pratt,	120 00
1887.		
Jan. 1.	Rent of store, Wadsworth & Wright,	116 10
Jan. 1.	Rent of land rear of City Hall, Knowlton & Stone,	20 00
Jan. 1.	Reimbursement W. H. Cross,	10 00
Jan. 11.	Rent of store, C. W. Wyman,	97 35
Jan. 27.	Reimbursement M. Armstrong,	2 23
Mar. 7.	Rent of store, A. H. Grimes,	116 10
April 2.	" " Wadsworth & Wright,	112 50
April 9.	" " C. W. Wyman,	93 75
May 5.	Billiard licenses,	75 00
May 20.	" "	11 50
June 7.	Rent of store, A. H. Grimes,	112 50
June 13.	Billiard licenses,	9 50
July 1.	Rent of store, Wadsworth & Wright,	116 10
July 7.	License, Barnum's circus,	30 00
July 13.	Reimbursement W. H. Cross,	10 00
July 25.	Rent of store, C. W. Wyman,	97 35
Sept. 1.	Reimbursement W. H. Cross,	10 00
Sept. 10.	Rent of store, A. H. Grimes,	116 10
Oct. 1.	" " Wadsworth & Wright,	112 50
Oct. 13.	Concrete walks,	37 45
Oct. 17.	Rent of store, C. W. Wyman,	93 75

Oct. 17.	Concrete walks,	$90	75
Oct. 29.	" "	34	12
Nov. 2.	" "	15	00
Nov. 7.	Billiard licenses,	91	50
Nov. 17.	Concrete walks,	121	89
Nov. 29.	" "	41	54
Nov. 29.	Rent of store, A. H. Grimes,	112	50
Dec. 1.	Concrete walks,	168	49
Dec. 2.	Use of reservoir, Parks & Gurnsey, (1887)	120	00
Dec. 8.	Concrete walks,	12	80
Dec. 10.	" "	49	00
Dec. 10.	Town of Roxbury, road scraper,	12	00
		$2,401	37
Deposited with City Treasurer,		$2,401	37

MILTON BLAKE,
City Clerk.

REPORT OF THE CITY MESSENGER.

To the Honorable City Councils:

I have the honor to submit my report as City Messenger from December 1, 1886, to December 1, 1887.

RECEIVED FOR RENT OF CITY HALL.

1886.		
December,	$ 82 00	
1887.		
January,	198 00	
February,	102 50	
March,	312 00	
April,	102 00	
May,	150 00	
June,	50 00	
September,	75 00	
October,	72 00	
November,	63 00	
Total for the year,		$1,206 50
Paid City Treasurer,		1,206 50

Yours respectfully,

E. O. KEITH,
City Messenger.

Keene, December 1, 1887.

REPORT OF THE CITY MARSHAL.

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen:

Gentlemen,—I have the honor of presenting for your consideration a portion of the doings of the police department for the financial year ending Nov. 30, 1887.

The department is composed of a force of fifteen men. The working force has been the City Marshal and one officer detailed as night watchman, the services of special officers being called as occasion seemed to require; and the condition of the department has been entirely satisfactory.

ORDERLY CONDITION OF THE CITY.

The orderly condition of the city has not been disturbed by any serious breaches of the peace during the year. It has been my endeavor to prevent the presence of professional thieves and suspicious persons in the city, quite a number having been driven out.

Whole number of arrests has been:

Males,	137
Females,	4
Total,	141

Offences for which arrests have been made comprise:

Assault,	5
Assault on officer,	3
Attempting to evade payment of fare,	1
Brawl and tumult,	1
Common drunkard,	3
Drunkenness,	89
Escaped from House of Correction,	1

Fugitives from justice,	8
Horse stealing,	4
Insane,	3
Keeping liquor for sale,	8
Keeping lager beer for sale,	2
Keeping disorderly house,	1
Larceny,	9
Rude and disorderly conduct,	1
Selling cider,	1
Stubborn child,	1
Total,	141

Number of persons applying for and accommodated with food and lodging at the station house has been:

Males,	86
Females,	4
Total,	90

The following are a portion of the miscellaneous duties attended to during the year:

Buildings found open in the night time and secured,	26
Lights left burning by mistake and reported,	17
Parties notified to remove snow from buildings,	14
Fire alarms given,	3
Nuisances reported,	28
Nuisances suppressed,	24
Liquor nuisances suppressed,	10
Value of goods found exposed and returned,	$50 00
Value of stolen property recovered,	500 00

In conclusion I wish to express to the members of the force my thanks for the manner in which they have performed their duties.

To your honorable body I tender my thanks for the generous support you have given me in the discharge of my duties.

Respectfully submitted,

E. R. LOCKE,
City Marshal.

REPORT OF THE CITY SOLICITOR.

To the City Councils:

I respectfully submit the following report:

Keene vs. Lucius C. Doolittle et al. These are suits to recover damages for alleged breach of condition of defendant Doolittle's bonds as City Clerk. In accordance with your instructions I have settled these causes on payment by the defendants of the sum of $158.78.

James M. Harmon vs. Keene. Petition for leave to file a claim for damages alleged to have been sustained by the plaintiff's wife by reason of a defective highway. A hearing was had in April and the petition was granted.

Henry B. Swan vs. Keene. Appeal from the award of damages made by the Mayor and Aldermen in laying out street. Referred to the County Commissioners, who, after a hearing, increased the award $15.00, making the whole amount paid Swan, including costs, $78.00.

Leonard J. Tuttle vs. Keene. Appeal from decision of Mayor and Aldermen in assessment of damages in laying out a new street through plaintiff's land. This case was referred to the County Commissioners, but no hearing has yet been had.

James M. Harmon vs. Keene. This is an action on the case for damages for injuries alleged to have been sustained by the plaintiff's wife by reason of a defective highway. Entered at the October term and continued.

JOHN T. ABBOTT,
Solicitor.

December 1, 1887.

REPORT OF THE JUSTICE OF POLICE COURT.

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen:

The Justice of the Police Court submits the following report for the year ending December 1, 1887.

The number of civil actions entered, 23; the number of arraignments, 172, for the following causes, to wit:

Cruelty to animals,	1
Unlawful taking and using a horse,	1
False statement in hiring a horse,	1
Attempting to evade payment of railroad fare,	1
Being a stubborn child,	1
Unlawful possession of game,	1
Assault with intent to kill,	1
Rude and indecent conduct,	1
Escaping from House of Correction,	1
Assaulting and obstructing officers,	2
Keeping disorderly houses,	3
Being common drunkards,	3
Larceny,	9
Simple assaults,	14
Violating liquor law,	27
Being drunk,	101
To find sureties of the peace,	4

These cases were disposed of as follows:

Persons sentenced to pay fines,	123
" sentenced to House of Correction,	14
" held to answer at Supreme Court,	17
" held to find sureties of the peace,	3
" not prosecuted to judgment,	16
" sent to industrial school,	3

Persons appealing to Supreme Court,	1
Amount of fines imposed by Justice,	$637 00
" " imposed by Special Justice,	59 00
" " paid to Justice for city,	517 00
" " paid to Justice for Humane Society,	6 00
" " paid to Special Justice for city,	56 00
Number of persons who paid fines,	103
Number of persons committed for non-payment:	
To jail,	11
To house of correction on conditional sentences,	7

E. FARRAR, Justice.

Keene, December 1, 1887.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

To the Honorable City Councils:

I herewith submit my report as Overseer of the Poor. I have furnished aid to county paupers as follows:

Miss Kesiah Billings,	$48 99
Mrs. John Buckley,	80 94
Mrs. Eliza Bates,	59 75
Alanson Bingham,	37 34
Richard Blake,	81 21
Mrs. Ann Cummings,	89 95
James Corey,	83 03
George Clasby,	120 85
Donald Cameron,	60 00
Mrs. Kate Donovan,	193 05
John Durand,	52 99
Jane Dawson,	52 00
John Ellis,	65 26
James Foley,	66 25
Charlotte Heustis,	39 08
Mrs. Mary Lewis,	229 60
Honora Lahey,	71 35
Mrs. Mary Mitchell,	83 45
James Murray,	38 10
May Marcott,	32 62
George Priest,	118 18
Martin Payne,	3 75
Gabriel Rock,	26 00
Mrs. John Reed,	86 32
John Ryan,	107 50
Johonna Sheahan,	143 38

Mary Shortell,	$65 33	
Silvia Snow,	78 20	
Geo. W. Seward,	141 76	
Isabelle Sarwin,	54 35	
C. A. Seward,	149 34	
C. C. Sargent,	168 33	
Mrs. Nellie Mitchell,	66 30	
Hugh McLaughlin,	90 80	
George Goyette,	173 09	
Albert Wilde,	120 99	
M. N. Bishop,	133 13	
G. H. Bridgman, salary Cheshire county physician,	75 00	
Mrs. C. Robinson,	34 77	
Daniel Gilbo,	56 97	
Robert Mitchell,	5 00	
Lizzie Haley,	69 77	
Transient,	356 73	
Charlie Burns,	15 72	
Mary LaPlant,	13 48	
Joseph Castro,	87 77	
John Q. Kinson,	212 82	
Mary Murphy,	16 00	
George C. Henderson,	78 46	
Amos Ray,	56 00	
Rufus Whitney,	27 15	
Edgar T. Bishop,	11 00	
W. F. Haskell,	32 00	
Delany Ware,	34 85	
Benj. Clark,	5 00	
Mrs. Julia Hammond,	10 00	
		$4,486 16

AID FURNISHED CITY PAUPERS.

Harvey Ballou,	$154 58
Edwin Ballou,	396 11
Mrs. Edward Brown,	34 03

A. Blanchard,	$64 50
Mrs. J. O. Amadon,	264 00
Mrs. Daniel Coffey,	277 85
Mrs. John Donovan,	119 43
Mrs. Jerry Donovan,	273 66
Mrs. O. C. Graves,	72 00
Miss Annie Gerould,	209 95
Edward Greenwood,	145 72
Mrs. Amos Howard,	79 70
David Langdon,	78 00
Mrs. James Mahar,	109 54
Mrs. Lucy Miller,	122 09
Mrs. P. O'Brien,	141 03
Mrs. Charles Palmer,	29 42
Mrs. S. W. Raymond,	23 61
Mrs. McLaughlin,	75 71
Mrs. Frank W. Cummings,	131 13
Henry M. Hall,	69 64
Lizzie J. Pierce,	224 26
A. Shackley,	11 99
Mrs. Irving Griffith,	44 54
James Vennall,	74 74
Mr. Greenway,	4 94
George Sheldon,	154 43
J. W. Pierce,	10 16
Charles Bemis,	20 00
James Greenwood,	136 00
Mrs. Charles Crossfield,	85 47
W. H. Pettis,	64 60
Azuba Britton,	78 34
Michael O. Kelley,	11 50
Charles Townsend,	54 88
Henry Mackay,	16 50
Fred R. Perry,	38 28
	$3,930 49

Received of the county for wood bought of George Nims, $371,39. Balance was reckoned into pauper account. Wood

delivered to Fire Department will be found in City Clerk's report. I have also engaged fifty cords of four-foot wood to be delivered to families that are not liable to move, which I think is more economical than to furnish in small quantlties, as it saves cartage.

I have aided during the past year two hundred and forty-seven (247) persons, both city and county paupers.

There is now due from Hinsdale, $51.89 to Dec. 1, 1887, for support of Mrs. Knapp and family.

P. HOWLAND,
Overseer of Poor.

December 1, 1887.

REPORT OF THE CITY PHYSICIAN.

To the Honorable City Councils:

Complying with the city ordinance, I respectfully present the eleventh annual report of the City Physician.

With one exception, the cases which have come under my care have been either of a chronic nature or slight ailments not requiring long attendance.

There has been, during the Fall and early Winter, numerous cases of diphtheria and typhoid fever in the city, but none among the city poor. There have been no births and two deaths during the year. One from consumption, where everything that faithful attendance and the kindness of friends could suggest, was done to relieve a hopeless sufferer. One death was caused by lock jaw, the result of a wound of the arm.

Much credit is due the Board of Health and Overseer of the Poor for their faithful services in their respective positions. I desire to extend especially to the Overseer of the Poor, my hearty acknowledgment of the universal courtesy and kindness shown not only to myself but to those under my care.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYLAND,
City Physician.

REPORT OF THE HEALTH COMMISSIONERS.

To the Honorable Mayor and Councils of the City of Keene:

During the past year about the usual number of matters have been laid before the Board of Health and have been acted upon, but few or none of them have been of general interest.

Several cases of diphtheria have been reported, in which, however, all possible precautions have been taken by the attending physicians.

E. P. DOLE,
IRA J. PROUTY,
A. B. THURSTON,
Board of Health.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF WOODLAND CEMETERY.

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen:

The following is an account of receipts and expenditures of the Superintendent for the year ending Dec. 16, 1887.

RECEIPTS.

Received for lots,	$308 70	
" C. S. Faulkner fund,	125 00	
" Salma Hale, "	30 00	
" for grass,	5 00	
" from Savings Bank to balance,	55 61	
		$524 31
Amount in bank Dec. 16, 1887,	$1,219 42	
Less amount drawn to balance,	55 61	
		$1,163 81
Remaining in bank Dec. 16, 1887,		1,163 81

EXPENDITURES.

Paid F. E. Keyes, bill,	$3 25
May Bros., tree bill,	60 00
Spencer & Co., bill,	1 00
Chas. Shedd, labor on gates,	5 00
Ellis Bros., bill,	19 00
H. T. Black, care of cemetery West Keene,	6 00
A. I. Estey, for labor,	1 50

H. O. Spaulding, care of cemetery West Keene,	$2 50	
A. Richardson, for labor,	211 70	
James Donahue, for labor,	172 36	
J. Driscoll and others, for labor,	42 00	
		$524 31

In closing my accounts for the year, I would say that I have expended more money this year than I have collected, most of it going to Woodland cemetery and annex.

N. G. GURNSEY,
Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE CITY LIQUOR AGENT.

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen:

The Agent for the sale of liquors hereby submits his report.

March 26, 1887, I purchased of M. S. Brown, New Hampshire State Liquor Commissioner, the following liquors:

20 gallons Old Rye and Bourbon whisky.
10 " Holland gin.
10 " Medford rum.
46 " Alcohol.
4⅞ " Cherry rum.
5 " Sherry wine.
5 " Port wine.
4⅞ " California brandy.
1 case Bass ale, 4 dozen pints.
1 " " 2 " quarts.
1 " G. L. porter, 3 dozen quarts.
1 " " " 4 " pints.
1 " Exhibition brandy, 6 bottles *, 6 bottles ***.
2 " G. O. Taylor whisky, rye and bourbon.
1 barrel Export M lager, 9 dozen pints.

I have sold of the above:

25 29-32 gallons alcohol, (18 12-32 gallons for medical, 7 17-32 gallons for mechanical use),	$81 50
5 7-12 gallons gin,	29 25
6 " whisky,	36 34
1 bottle whisky,	1 00
2⅝ gallons rum,	6 60
1-32 " cherry rum,	13
53-64 gallon brandy,	6 92
2 bottles brandy ***,	4 50
1⅞ gallons Sherry wine,	9 50
¼ " Port "	1 00

2 bottles porter, quarts,	$1 40	
8 " " pints,	2 80	
1 " ale, "	35	
7 " lager, "	1 05	
		$182 34

EXPENSES.

March 29, paid freight,	$5 75	
June 4, paid R. B. Munsell, expense to Boston,	6 00	
		$11 75
		$170 59
Dec. 3, deposited with City Treasurer,		170 59

These liquors have all been sold for medical, mechanical or culinary purposes, as stated by the purchaser, or on physicians' prescriptions.

The quantity sold, deducted from that purchased, leaves on hand:

20 3-32 gallons alcohol.
4 5-12 " gin.
14 " whisky.
7⅜ " rum.
4 27-32 " cherry rum.
4 3-64 " brandy.
3⅛ " Sherry wine.
4¾ " Port "
3 bottles Ex. brandy ***.
6 " " " *.
23 " whisky.
2 10-12 dozen porter, quarts.
3 4-12 " " pints.
2 " ale, quarts.
3 11-12 " " pints.
8 5-12 " lager, "

Subject to leakage and evaporation.

A. H. GRIMES,
City Liquor Agent.

REPORT OF THE CITY COLLECTOR.

REPORT FOR 1884.

To the Honorable City Councils of the City of Keene:

I have the honor to present my final report as City Collector for 1884.

Amount due the city,	$152 64	
Interest collected,	19 11	
		$171 75
Amount abated,	$31 08	
Amount deposited with City Treasurer,	140 67	
		$171 75

Respectfully submitted,

L. P. ALDEN,
Collector.

REPORT OF THE CITY COLLECTOR.

REPORT OF WATER RATES.

In Collector's hands, uncollected, Dec. 1, 1886,	$889 74	
" " " 35th assessment,	7,410 32	
" " " 36th "	8,384 55	
		$16,684 61
By discount on advance payments,	$2,840 42	
By abatements,	178 30	
By deposits with City Treasurer,	12,524 71	
By balance uncollected,	1,141 18	
		$16,684 61

REPORT OF TAXES, 1885.

To balance uncollected Dec. 1, 1886,	$1,600 00	
To interest collected,	20 80	
		$1,620 80
By abatements 1883 taxes,	$21 40	
" " 1885 "	329 26	
Deposited with City Treasurer Dec. 20, 1887,	1,270 14	
		$1,620 80

REPORT OF TAXES, 1886.

In Collector's hands Dec. 21, 1886,	$13,952 80	
" " " interest collected,	111 09	
		$14,063 89

By error in amount on book,	$209 23	
Abated by Assessors,	308 28	
Deposited with City Treasurer June 2, 1887,	13,500 00	
Deposited Dec. 20, 1887,	46 38	
		$14,063 89

REPORT OF TAXES, 1887.

By amount ordered to collect,	$70,894 98	
Deposited Dec. 10, 1887,	50,500 00	
" " 21, "	2,600 00	
		$53,100 00
Balance in collector's hands,		$17,794 98

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL O. GATES,
Collector.

Keene, December 21, 1887.

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